



EASTERN IOWA - WESTERN ILLINOIS
**Trauma Informed Care
Consortium**

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Consortium Vision: A Community of Healthy Families

Communities, families, business, health care, education - we all win when children develop healthy physical & emotional resilience. Together in partnership, the Eastern Iowa - Western Illinois Trauma Informed Care Consortium will provide this vision for Scott and Rock Island Counties.

Consortium Theory of Change

The understanding, treatment and reduction of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) leads to improved long-term well-being for children and families.

"Consortium Connection" Meeting Notes

MON 07/21/14, 3:00 to 4 PM.

United Way

Team Members Present

Angie Kendall, Christine Gradert, Mindy Foltz, Mary Newcomb, Martha Owens, Leigh Egger, Tammy Trice, Laurie Ludeman, Katie Kranovich, Leslee Cook, Molli Nickerson, Pat Barnes

Note Taker

Mindy Foltz

Program:

Welcome and Introductions

Day of Caring

The Team discussed having TIC focused Day of Caring Projects. Specifically, ideas related to resiliency building (cleaning up parks, reading to children, etc.) were considered. The Team discussed the importance of messaging "everyday" activities with youth as resiliency building. The Team will look into current projects where opportunities exist to provide an overview of TIC to Day of Caring Volunteers.

ACEs Too High

Angie informed the Team that the Consortium was extended an invitation to co-develop an "Iowa Community" group on the ACEs Too High national website. Christine and Angie will become "discussion leaders" along with representatives from other TIC initiatives in Iowa. The work and training needed to form our group will occur this fall. A link to the ACEs Too High, Iowa Page, will be placed on the Consortium web page when the group becomes official.

SEARCH Institute

Angie introduced an exciting new research opportunity and partnership between the Community Foundation of the Great River Bend (CFGRB), the Consortium and the SEARCH Institute. CFGRB is focusing on finding ways to invest in existing community capacities where youth development efforts are occurring. Consortium organizations are viewed as key partners in this important work. The research seeks to capture information about how youth experience the supportive relationships they need to thrive. The goal of the study is to have up

to 1000 “matched pair” surveys completed – in which a parenting adult completes Part A and a youth completes Part B in the 6th -12th grade population. The goal is to get these surveys started in September and the team is working on details for administering the survey. The next step for the implementation team includes identifying partner organizations that will invite the families they serve to participate. The goal is also to get a good cross-section of income, race/ethnicity, geography, etc. If you are interested in your organization participating in this opportunity, please contact Angie or Christine.

Initiative Team Reports:

Prevention – This Team has launched the **Now What?** blog and social media campaign for parents. The goal of this campaign is to:

1. Normalize parents seeking help
2. Provide bite sized concrete examples of ways to prevent child abuse
3. Support family resiliency utilizing the five protective factors.

This blog launched on Tuesday, July 22 and we encourage all partners to share posts via their personal and professional FB and Twitter accounts as well as visit and engage via the comment tool on the blog!

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Now-What-Child-Abuse-Awareness/237867546424228?fref=nf>

Blog: <http://www.childabuseqc.org/#!/now-what-blog/cqfo>

Early Childhood: This Team sent out a bi-state survey to child care providers to understand a baseline of their current level of trauma informed knowledge and practice. The Team will review the results at the upcoming meeting (7.31 8:30 AM Scott County Admin Bldg).

This Team also hosted an Illinois forum of early childhood professionals to learn about current trauma informed practices they could incorporate into their programs. Four panelists described different programs and a moderator facilitated a question and answer session amongst attendees. Nearly 40 EC professionals attended. The ECE Team will be debriefing on this event and providing another forum in IA in the fall.

Community Education: This Team is continuing to deliver training in the community both at the United Way in Scott County and All Our Kids Network in Rock Island County. In addition to these monthly trainings, two, 2-day trainings were offered in June at the AEA for educator recertification. This was a joint effort with Dawn Knutson at Scott County Kids. The 1st day included Youth Mental Health First Aid and the 2nd day included; Intro/ACE, Retraumatization, Vicarious Trauma and Sensory Applications.

The Community Education Team is also working with the Health/Mental Health Team to review several DVD and on-line formats to provide basic education and information on the Adverse Childhood Experiences Study and Trauma Informed Care.

Universal Screening: This Team is working to review trauma screening in the early childhood setting with tremendous support from local Head Start programs. This Team is looking to develop and pilot a screening tool that will look at social emotional learning as well as incorporate trauma questions. The Team hopes to utilize the tool this winter and then review and modify later in the year with the goal of launching on a larger scale in the next school year.

Civic Services: This Team has completed an initial “pilot” training of ACEs and Intro to Trauma Informed Care for Food Pantry Volunteers at the Friendly House. The Team is moving forward to offer the training to all food pantry volunteers in Scott and Rock Island Counties.

Data & Outcomes: On July 2nd, the Data/Outcomes Team of the Consortium, along with members of our United Way Health Impact Panel, met with Dr. Gary Rosenthal and his team at the Institute for Clinical and Translational Science at the University of Iowa. The goal in meeting with ICTS was to ask for help in developing long term, measurable indicators/outcomes of our ACEs/TIC work at the community level. The conversation led to a larger discussion of developing common indicators across all of the different ACEs projects in Iowa. We will be moving forward as a group to begin coordinating our conversation and efforts in TIC.

School Districts: This Team is continuing its work to refine the Adverse Childhood Experiences Study and Trauma Informed Care training power point to focus specifically on the needs of the k-12 educators. This Team is planning to provide training in the school districts throughout the next academic school year.

Marketing & Messaging: This Team is refining the “I have, I can, I am” messaging and moving forward with plans for a series of informational brochures (print and electronic) to be utilized for varying purposes of Consortium needs including future grant and funding applications. The Team is also discussing the option of PSA type videos as well as a 3-minute video/infomercial describing the work of the Consortium.

Health & Mental Health: The Health Team is working to develop TIC training modules. Webinars from the SAMHSA-HRSA Center for Integrated Health Solutions are being reviewed and tailored to meet the needs of our local health community in hopes of developing e-learning courses. Live trainings will also need to be developed. The Community Education Team approved a voice-over module format. The Health Team is also working with GHG to pilot a trauma screening at one office site.

Resource Development: The RD Team continues to explore all opportunities as they become available to fund the infrastructure of the Consortium. We are pleased to announce the Consortium was selected by the Doris and Victor Day Foundation to receive funding in the amount of \$4,900. The Consortium is grateful to the Day Foundation and is in process of exploring the many ways the gift can be utilized to continue our mission.

Organizational Competency: The “pilot” cohort is in process of working through the first domain of the Fallot and Harris tool “Creating Cultures of Trauma-Informed Care.” The tool includes six domains and pilot agencies will continue to meet periodically as they work through each phase of the assessment.

What Action Steps will be taken before the next meeting?

Next Meeting Date: August 18th 2014 at 3pm to 4pm; Co-captains meeting starts at 2:30.

Questions?

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