

**Child Care and Early Education Subcommittee**  
**Meeting Notes**  
**Thursday-April 1, 2010**  
**1:30-3:30 Oakland Schools**

**In Attendance:** Laura Brown, Rochester Schools; Julie Ricks-Doneen, Oakland University; Laurie Kidd, Kinder Care; Anne Snudden, Oakland-Macomb CCEP; Allen Wood, Oakland Family Services; Danelle Watts, Oakland 4C; Lisa Sturges, GSC-O

**Task Force Group Updates:** Updates were provided for each task force group and next steps were discussed.

*Physician Outreach:* Implementation funds have been accepted and our contractor, Cindy Macks, will continue her outreach efforts. To date, she was about to reach 85+ pediatricians at the Beaumont Grand rounds in September 2009 and was given 20 minutes to present about GSC-O and community programs available to their patients in Oakland County. In addition Cindy has also contacted 30 pediatricians (not all Beaumont physicians). Cindy has been sharing several resources including resources for families, ASQ information, and specific community programs such as Early On. Cindy has also been collecting survey data from pediatricians on parents concerns and questions, where they refer parents of children with developmental concerns, best way to receive resources, etc.

*Career Lattice:* Joan Firestone included the career lattice in her presentation at MiAEYC on quality. In addition, our proposal to present at the ECIC Statewide TA meeting in April was accepted. In order to outreach to training organizations, colleges and universities, we have created several items (a) an introductory letter to introduce them to the career lattice; (b) a list of contacts for all three regions has also been created; (c) a video which explains how to read the lattice; (d) laminated versions of the career lattice for multiple uses and (e) a button that they can add to their website which will directly link to the career lattice website. It was suggested at this meeting that we also offer poster size versions of the career lattice for students to look at on their own without a counselor. We will also add this to our outreach efforts.

*Joint Recruitment:* We are now on our final draft of the brochure, making just minor changes. We are also ready to send out the online, interactive map to all GSRP and Head Start programs to review. They will need to verify that where we are linking on their website is where they want families to go. Kim Mclean has been working on a FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) page for families. Parents have a lot of questions. To keep it from looking very long, we will probably include a list of questions with links to the answers on a separate page.

*ECE/K-12 Systems Building:* Galileo held on 3/09/10 included 12 districts with approximately 75 people. We will be hosting three follow up forums where we will build leadership skills necessary to implement specific district plans to build a connected system. We will be asking teams to complete and then continue to work on a "blueprint" for building this pre-k through 12 system. We also hope to offer some one

on one coaching for these districts. It was suggested at this meeting that we offer a “toolkit” of leadership skills needed for districts who are unable to attend to still work on their own blueprints to build a connected system. The next forum will be on 4/13/10 at Oakland Schools. Lisa shared a copy of the agenda.

ASQ/Developmental Screenings: We have been talking with Early On about a project which would utilize the ASQ screening (currently done through University of Oregon) in Oakland County. This project is a part of our integrated projects work and also a part of our implementation funding application. This project allows us to establish a website for the ASQ. Families, early childhood professionals and pediatricians would be able to access this website and complete a developmental screening. In addition, we would like to have 5-7 early childhood programs pilot the use of this tool as a way to engage parents in their children’s growth and development. We need to develop criteria for potential pilot sites.

**Subcommittee Considerations:**

Implementation Funds: Our implementation funds were approved. Specifics to spending this money in relation to subcommittee projects were discussed as we provided task force group updates.

Regional Resource Center Update: On March 23, 2010 there was a RRC update meeting held at United Way. Documents shared in that meeting were shared in this meeting. The group was reminded about the statewide training calendar. Currently this only houses information about RRC trainings but it is hoped this would become a professional development system.

**Next Steps:**

**Announcements:**

Next meeting is June 1, 2010.