

VICC meeting @ VFN, 09.11.2015

Bolded parts emphasize topics particularly for ICC co-chairs

From the introductory part:

- Family survey -> Pam (VFN) will look into it

- Parents
 - define and improve ways to contribute, e.g. in workgroups
 - **vision and service of ICC** (co-chairs: prep for next meeting)
 - other areas of improvements need to be identified

- News – brief summary of position reductions, retirements, CIS director, nurse position
- Problem – diminishing number of providers due to billing issues
- VFN database – carenet: health management system
- New training model – MESH; evidence-based nursing model
- **EI was not recognized as home-visiting evidence-based model -> this should be changed, but data is necessary.**
- **State looks at location of service provided, not on home-visiting standards**
- Other model: “parents as teachers”, provided by nurse; social worker, focusing on family’s basic needs
 - Insurance in place
 - Medical and dental home in place
- Evidence-based family education, not necessarily focused only at families w/ risk factors
- “Early=learning child grant” funds MESH; runs for another 2 years
- Both models are curriculum based; 2 yearlong commitment from families
- **What level ICC wants in assisting state?**
- Improving relationship between CIS and CSHN

- EI certification: although provider have bachelor or master’s degree, Medicaid is not considering this as qualification
- BUT Medicaid agreed to accept certificate of qualification
 - Work on finalization and publication of certificate is necessary – so far, Medicaid sets the standards
 - Helpful: analyze how other states certify

- SSIP newsletter: for community partner
- Assessment of outcomes with current tools?
 - Problem: motoric vs. social-emotional skills

SSIP workgroup discussions

- Federally mandated family surveys
- ICC workgroups – should ideally evolve out of “vision and service” definition that co-chairs should work on
- Survey to identify strength of program
- Target: 32% return (failed in 2013, 2014); significant differences in regional rates of return
- Survey comes in two versions, currently in use is the starter version
- Critiques:
 - Confusing two pages
 - Survey is cumbersome for families
- Questions:
 - Does it come with cover letter? (yes)
 - Hardcopy or electronically? (paper)
 - Return Envelope included? (yes)
- Three ways to return:
 - Paper mail back
 - Survey monkey online
 - Call

- SSIP leadership groups
- Parents: Advising on personal improvement
- BUT who will lead leadership group
- Goal: to develop a final document that will govern personal improvement

For November:

- Define the group’s role
- What should be provided to make work of the ICC more efficient and meaningful?

Upcoming meetings:

- 11/13
- 1/8
- 3/18
- 5/13