

VT Interagency Coordinating Council minutes
January 15, 2016

In attendance:

- State CIS staff: Jane Ross Allen, Leslie Mitrano
- ICC members: Andreas Koenig, Amanda Cookson, Liz Jordan-Shook, Dianna Langston, Beth Myer, Danielle Howes
- Guests: Sue Bloomer, Carol Lang-Godin

Agenda:

- SSIP updates: still plugging away- 3 targeted regions will present their plans to the ICC/ Host Agencies/ CIS Coordinators at the March meeting
- Staffing updates: Natalie Whitfield has been hired at the Comprehensive System of Professional Development Coordinator and Heather Case has been hired as the Family Engagement Coordinator. Both came highly recommended and we are looking forward to having them start
- APR updates: No major slippage or increases in Indicators. Regions are still struggling with 8B (notification to Local Educational Agencies of potentially eligible children no more than 6 months prior and no fewer than 90 days prior to third birthday). The APR will be discussed in detail at the March meeting
- Family survey changes: Annually CIS/EI conducts a survey of families currently enrolled in, or recently exited from, Early Intervention services. This is part of the APR. A letter explaining the purpose of the survey accompanies it, and this year the letter is being used to acknowledge changes that have been made in the CIS/EI program due to survey responses.
- Membership and election of new practitioner co-chair: One of Heather's first tasks will be to assess the current membership (do we have all members in place? Whose term is expiring?) and to recruit families. Andreas developed a letter to families and he and Heather will be working together on this. Liz Jordan-Shook has resigned her role as practitioner co-chair, so elections will need to be held in March to elect a new practitioner co-chair.
- March's meeting- date, agenda, and location: Next meeting- Friday, March 18, from 9AM- 3PM, at the new Waterbury office complex. Important to have RSVPs, as the building will be secure and Buildings & Grounds needs a list to know who to expect. More information forthcoming.