

Integrated Training Collaborative Meeting

January 9, 2012

Agenda

- Please join my meeting at: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/join/626857022>
- Join the conference call: 1-866-842-5779, Passcode: 287-353-3701#

Attendees: Adele Rohner, Carole Ivey, Cori Hill, Deana Buck, Patty Eitemiller, Mary Voorhees, Bev Crouse, Corey Herd, Adrienne Frank, Dana Childress, Carol Burke, Nancy Bailey, Lynn Wiley, Beth Tolley, Lynne Blythe, Pam Park, Bonnie Grifa

1. **Welcome, Announcements, and Celebrations**

- Adele – Mount Rogers service coordinator
- Carole – VCU faculty in OT department. First ITC meeting!
- Deana – Partnership
- Patty – Alexandria Infant Development Specialist and SC. First ITC meeting!
- Mary – UVa faculty in Early Childhood Special Education and research scientist in field of PBS
- Bev – ITC of VA TA Consultant
- Corey – Radford University faculty and SLP
- Adrienne – CDR; director of Parents as Teachers project. OT by training
- Dana – Training specialist at Partnership; EI professional development
- Carol – Rockbridge LSM/SC, direct service provider
- Nancy – Family Preservation Services; under contract with local Part C system
- Lynn – GMU T/TAC Director
- Beth – ITC of VA TA Consultant
- Pam Park – Fairfax Service Coordinator Supervisor; SpecialQuest and Kaleidoscope trainer
- Lynne Blythe – Rappahannock-Rapidan LSM
- Bonnie Grifa – ITC of VA Monitoring Consultant

Announcements and Celebrations:

- Adele's birthday is next week (1/17)-Happy Birthday!
- Nancy celebrated her 60th birthday – family had a humongous birthday in her honor.
- Deana has been selected as an Autism Ambassador.
- Adrienne reported that the Colonial Communities Social Emotional pilot is just finishing. Data indicates significant change in the knowledge of child care providers related to social-emotional development.

2. **State Activities**

Updates:

- Part C office has a new Part C coordinator, Catherine Hancock, whose title will be "Early Intervention Administrator." She assumed the duties right before the holidays and joins the department from DMAS.
- The VA Cross-Sector Professional Development (VCPD) group is working to build early childhood professional development across numerous agencies. Some members of the VCPD also serve as liaisons on the Early Childhood Advisory Committee (ECAC). There is great excitement that Kathy Glazer (who worked formerly with Gov. Kaine on the Smart Beginnings Initiatives) is the new President of the Early Childhood Foundation, replacing Hippert who has taken a position in another state.
- The Partnership is developing new modules for home visitors and ENTs about the Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) program. Current modules can be found at www.vaehdi.vcu.edu

3. **National Activities**

Updates:

- Child Outcomes: There is a new learning community formed to look at integrating the federally required outcomes into the Part C framework. Beth and Deana are members. The group is now looking at sharing resources across the country.
- CSEFEL: We are continuing our collaboration with Dr. Rob Corso, CSEFEL Consultant. He will be hosting a “Talks on Tuesday” in May and may be providing more training this year. For those trained this past September and October, the final materials for home visitors are not yet ready but will be available soon.
- EIPD Autism Module: Our autism module is currently being reviewed by the National Professional Development Center on ASD (NPDC ASD) and Autism Internet Modules (AIM). We would like to be resources and collaborators for work on ASD with very young children.
- Division for Early Childhood (DEC): Call for proposals for the International DEC conference are due January 15th. We have submitted two proposals and Deana is working on a third proposal. DEC is forming a special interest group (SIC) about professional development. More news to follow.

4. ITC Current Work

A. First Annual Early Childhood Conference

Lynn Wiley has coordinated the Shining Stars conference for many years. Although EI has collaborated with the Shining Stars group for many years, this year we are developing a more purposeful and planned out collaboration which will include 50% EI content and 50% ECSE content (or some content that crosses all ages and abilities birth to five years). This will be particularly beneficial to early interventionists since we have not been able to have our Creating Connection EI conference for the past few years due to budget constraints. The new conference title will be, “Creating Connections to Shining Stars: Virginia’s First Annual Collaborative Early Childhood Conference. Key factors in making this decision include: pooling of financial resources, promoting cross sector/interagency/interdisciplinary content, and networking. An initial structure and design committee met and approved a three full day conference with concurrent session, concentrated strands, and institute or workshop type courses which go beyond the “awareness level.” The committee and the Statewide CoPA group also agreed to continue with “CoPA at the Beach” during the conference. Since conference arrangements are made one year in advance, all plans are in place to hold this conference at the Cavalier Hotel in VA Beach on July 16-18. Following the conference, committee members will evaluate and make decisions regarding future conferences (locations, dates, etc.).

Lynn Wiley reviewed the full conference subcommittee list. Please complete Google docs spreadsheet in email sent by Lynn this morning or access the spreadsheet at: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0An7VLMdNBG8ydFNOQnJwSzkxZGJaMm4xa3BCc1FHbIE&hl=en_US#gid=0 There is some urgency in getting members signed up for subcommittees #1 and #2. We also need early interventionists to identify potential presenters and submit conference proposals. Some potential topics might include: Primary Provider Approach in Family-Centered Services in EI; Child and Family Outcomes; State and Federal Part C Updates (and other initiatives); Transition; Infant-Child Mental Health, etc.

B. Early Intervention Service Coordination/Targeted Case Management (EI SC TCM)

The EI SC/TCM program is underway and 414 service coordinators have passed the module. One member commented that the “Module has been very helpful in the transition.” There will be a task force meeting at the end of the month to address issues.

C. Scope Of Work Updates (module, ASD doc, ToT, Landing Pad, etc)

- **Autism module:** see notes above.
- **Social-Emotional module:** on “2nd final draft.” We need a couple of people to serve as pilot users to see how long it takes to complete the module (Adele, Pam, Carole Ivey, Lynne Blythe, and Bonnie Grifa) will serve in that capacity.
- **Data module #3:** is in formatting stage. All 4 modules will be posted at the same time.

- **ASD Guidance Document:** the document is in “final draft” and has been submitted to the ASD Guidance Document committee for final review at a meeting scheduled for 1/19/12. A follow up activity may include the development of simple, one page fact sheets based on document content.
- **Talks on Tuesday:** Next webinar is scheduled for February 7th on transition with Caroline Gooden. Upcoming topics include a motor session, relationships and social/emotional development, autism.
- **Landing Pads:** Camille Catlett is developing several more landing pads and updating the current ones. The first one, on challenging behaviors, is ready and is now being formatted. The one on multiple disabilities is next, then FAS, followed by children with visual impairments.
- **Video clips:** Deana and Cori will be traveling to Northern Virginia to film related to coaching. We are working with Susan Sigler and Patty Eitemiller to help us arrange video options (to be held before March). We would love to have more if anyone would like to collaborate on videos.
- **Child and Family Outcomes:** A small group has formed to work to address this issue. We are still encouraging people to use the current modules even though they need to be updated. The group will meet in person on February 6th. Priorities are to review existing materials and modules, develop materials to orient all providers, and develop “refresher” materials to update knowledge of current providers.
- **LSM/Part C staff meeting:** We are planning a meeting for March with local system managers and Part C staff. A survey of all LSMs has been sent to identify meeting priorities.
- **Faculty/EI collaboration:** A small subcommittee has been formed to gather information about current coursework/practicum experiences. We will send surveys to LSMs and faculty to gather data. Mary Voorhees is working to develop draft questions for the faculty survey. LSMs will develop draft questions for their survey. The goal is to embed more EI content into ECSE licensure programs and to collaborate with more local systems to provide adequate placements for student teachers interested in EI. We plan to host a faculty meeting/retreat for the spring.
- **Evaluation and Data:** Data reports and infographics were sent prior to meeting. They are also available at: http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/int_training_collab.html (bottom of page.) For additional data information, contact Deana.

D. Kaleidoscope

- **Locations:** KI in Northern Virginia in March and KII in Tidewater in April – final locations and dates to be finalized soon.
- **New Pre-Requisite Requirement for KI:** We have had consistent feedback from supervisors, LSMs, and service coordinators that there is a need for page by page instructions on IFSPs. Since the IFSP 101 module is such a tool, the Part C office has established a new pre-requisite requirement for KI: all participants are required to complete the IFSP 101 module prior to attending the training and they must bring their certificate of completion with them to the training. ITC members expressed support for this new requirement. This will help address the learning needs of brand new service coordinators to cover the page by page review of the IFSP.

5. **Other Business:** Let Cori know if you have other business to address.

6. **Next meeting:** April 9th from 10:30-12 noon. Dial in 866-842-5779, code 287-353-3701.