

Jefferson Whole Child Coalition

August 30, 2016

Minutes

Members Present: Cumi Allen, Tonya Bell, Anthony Brewington, Karen Cramer, Cindy Hutto, Lynn Elliott, Chastity McCarthy Kelli Mercer, Jacqueline Miller, Melissa Moncada, Sandra Porras-Gutierrez, Kimberli Perry, Ashley Schermerhorn, Tiffany Similien, Zachary Summerlin, and Jennifer Travieso.

Agencies represented: Healthy Start Coalition, Magellan Complete Care, Big Bend Community Based Care, Capital Regional Medical Center, Florida Department of Health in Jefferson County, Department of Children & Families/ACCESS, Capital Area Community Action Agency, Florida CHAIN, Jefferson County School District, 211 Big Bend Help Me Grow and Disc Village.

Tonya Bell opened the meeting and welcome everyone, Tonya is available to assist with Florida KidCare Insurance applications and has also been working with the Healthy Families program, for more information or to make a referral contact 850-253-5355 or tbell@healthystartjmt.org.

Cindy Hutto announced the Coalition has a new Event Calendar on their Website, please send upcoming events to Cindy and she will post them on the calendar. Cindy encouraged everyone to visit the website at www.healthystartjmt.org.

Cumi Allen with Healthy Start reported they have been busy helping Moms and babies stay on track and they just completed a breastfeeding outreach in the community last week. Cumi announced there is a new breastfeeding billboard up in town and encouraged everyone to check it out. Prenatal and Parents as Teachers classes are ongoing and they are always looking for guest speakers. For more information contact 850-342-0170.

Kelli Mercer is Director of Behavioral Health Outreach at Capital Regional Medical Center. They have a 24 bed facility and are located closest to Jefferson County. Kelli said they are looking for affiliate offices for the Jason Foundation a Suicide Prevention Program and training materials are free. For more information contact 850-325-5757 or kelli.mercer@hcahealthcare.com.

Karen Cramer with Magellan Complete Care announced the Bluebird Run and Walk for Suicide Prevention and Awareness will be held on September 5th. The My Fest Event will be held in November, more information to follow. Karen can be reached at 850-275-1891 or krccramer@magellanhealth.com.

Jacqueline Miller with Capital Area Community Action Agency announced the Getting Ahead Luncheon will be held on September 26th from 12:00 to 2:00pm at the Jefferson County Senior Center. The new class is set to begin on October 6th at the Library from 4:30 to 7:00pm and they are looking for candidates. For more information contact 850-997-8231 or Jacqueline.Miller@cacaainc.org.

Sandy Porras-Gutierrez with DCF ACCESS announced she is always looking for community partners, the Quincy FarmShare event will be held on November 15th, there will be free food for clients. For more information or if you would like to volunteer contact 850-488-0684 or Sandra_porras-gutierrez@myflfamilies.com.

Melissa Moncada is a Navigator with Florida CHAIN and reports they are getting ready for open enrollment beginning on November 1st.

Tiffany Similien is the Program Coordinator with the Help Me Grow Program and is looking to partner with medical providers. For more information contact 850-617-6306 or tsimilien@211bigbend.org

Kimberli Perry is with the Jefferson County School District.

Ashley Schermerhorn is a Prevention Specialist with Big Bend Community Based Care and announced September 5th – 11th is National Suicide Prevention Week. There is a video campaign out for youth entitled “Know the Cost” and can be downloaded for free. For more information call 850-748-3957 or Ashley.schermerhorn@bigbendcbc.org.

Jennifer McElveen is a Case Manager at the Jefferson County Senior Citizens Center. For information on services provided contact 850-519-2210.

Tomica Smith with Florida CHAIN is a Navigator for Affordable Health Care in Jefferson, Madison and Taylor Counties. For more information or to schedule an appointment contact 850-321-8619 or tomica@floridachain.org.

Chastity McCarthy is the Tobacco Prevention Specialist with the Florida Department of Health in Jefferson County, Chastity introduced a new community partner, Anthony Brewington to everyone and announced the Tobacco Free Orientation Kick-off is scheduled for September 27th and the Jefferson County SWAT Orientation kick-off will be on September 29th, both events will be held at the Library from 4:00 to 6:00pm. The next Partnership meeting will be held on September 20th from 4:00 to 5:00pm at the Senior Center. For more information contact 850-342-0170 or Chastity.mccarthy@flhealth.gov.

Jennifer Travieso is a Family Services Supervisor with Disc Village’s Substance Abuse Prevention Outpatient services. For more information on services contact jtravieso@discvillage.com.

Zachary Summerlin is the Network Coordinator & Housing Coordination/Resource Specialist with Big Bend Community Based Care. BBCBC was created in 2002 as a direct response to the Florida Legislature and DCF to improve child welfare services by developing solutions to care for children and families in their home communities. In 2013 BBCBC became the Managing Entity for substance abuse and mental health services for the Northwest Region of Florida and is contracting with Disc Village and Apalachee Center to provide those services. BBCBC also provides Care Coordination, Prevention Services and Housing & Resource Coordination to individuals and families. For more information contact Zachary.summerlin@bigbendcbc.org or 850-410-1020 x115.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be on September 27, 2016 at 9:30am.

Minutes recorded by Cindy Hutto