

Texas LAUNCH Early Childhood Committee
Meeting Minutes
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- I. Welcome and Introductions (Holly Gursclin)
- II. TIEMH Updates (Holly Gursclin and Erica Shapiro)
 - a. Ysleta del Sur Pueblo site visit: shadowed mental health consultation; met with Department of Health who is working with team on collecting disparity data on the tribe; reviewed IY evaluation
 - b. Expansion community work plans: provided technical assistance (TA) to each community to aid in development of work plans
 - c. 2017 Children's Mental Health Awareness Day: hosted a LAUNCH booth to provide information on Texas LAUNCH and resources to the community
 - d. Incredible Years: hosted IY Babies and Parents curriculum training; all three communities are currently providing IY classes; in contact with IY for consultation calls to discuss certification and TA needs
 - e. Workforce Development Survey Analysis: identified areas/topics of interest for future workforce development trainings/webinars/etc.; council members identified experts in a variety of training topics whom could be contacted for future workforce development efforts
 - f. Evaluation data presentation: provided an update on years 1 and 2 progress towards goals for each of the four implementation strategies; provided an update on types of referrals made after screenings, percentage of screenings resulting in referral, and percentage of referral resulting in follow-up
- III. Expansion Community Program Update
 - a. Ysleta del Sur Pueblo (Linda Wiley and Anna Silvas)
 - i. Shared update on first Incredible Years graduating cohort: graduated 6 parents; two parents from cohort 1 were trained in IY Babies and Parents curriculum and will become leaders for future IY groups; have begun second IY cohort; plan to have two group leaders become certified in IY
 - ii. Workforce Development: 12 early childhood care providers within YDSP have been trained in ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2
 - iii. Screening: staff at early childhood center have begun conducting ASQ screenings
 - iv. New policy implementation: Mental Health Consultation (MHC) has been incorporated into practices addressing challenging behaviors; IY will be a requirement for parents with children enrolled at the early learning center
 - v. Current challenges: participation in IY (childcare issues); asked for feedback from other communities to discuss solutions
 - b. San Antonio (Fred Cardenas and Tarah Glover)
 - i. Integration of Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation (ECMHC) in home-based services: provided an overview of best practices for providing this service (i.e., staff safety, natural environments, logistical challenges, integration of Parent Child Interaction Therapy [PCIT] as a supplemental strategy/intervention)
 - ii. Tarah Glover (clinician) is providing Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) to families as a supplement to ECMHC; she provided an overview of PCIT
 - c. Fort Worth (Stephanie Norton)
 - i. Fort Worth LAUNCH Academy: training academy targeting childcare directors; 40 directors attended; collaborated with 5 different community agencies and 3 community coalitions; 5 free sessions; 9 facilitators from partner agencies representing a variety of expertise; courses offered

