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Latino Health Council

Community Health Center
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March 28, 2019 | 9:30-11:30 AM

Members present:

Patricia Tellez-Giron (co-chair), Juan Aguirre, Maggie Gritt, Cecilia Goldschmidt, Rodrigo Valdivia,, Deana Sell, Arely Tinoco, Theresa Bednarek, Evie Storto, Fernando Cano, William Parke-Sutherland, Tehmina Islam, Lauren Crane, Syliva Eugenia Ruiz, Jeff Golden, Rosario Angulo, Judith Rasmussen, Lucia Ledesma, Nina Gregeron, Meghan Skrprnski, Natalia Hildner, Ann-Louise Plesh, Rosario Rhoden, Lnsey Clark, William Parke-Sutherland, Chris Chapman, Kristi Jones, Angela Olvera, Jorgo Lika, Kari Sievert, Erin Bailey, Allison Rodriguez, Maria Mora Pinzon, Taryn Valley, Pameal Santaella, **Waldely**

Meeting called to order at 9:30 am by co-chair Patricia Tellez-Giron.

Introductions:

Patricia requested that people introduce themselves and say one thing that makes them happy.
Fernando led the group in a mindfulness exercise.

Approval of Minutes:

Fernando moved to approve the February 2019 minutes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Announcements:

- Patricia reminded everyone to please find a substitute if you are unable to take minutes during the month for which you agreed. Also, if hosting the meeting please contact Patricia at least 2 weeks in advance with logistics.
- Fernando announced that Unidos is creating a group for men, Academia de hombres. Participants will share and talk about how to be a better man, friend, and father. Learn to better support and care for each other as men in a healthy way and deal with stress positively. Open for any Latino men. The group will take place once a month and will be in Spanish. The first meeting is Friday 3/29 at 6pm at the Villager Mall. Fernando will share it with LHC. Members discussed the importance of the group in having men taking against and discussing domestic violence and expressed hope that it has strong participation.
- Cecelia announced that Canopy center is hiring a senior therapist position with some clinical supervision duties. The position will focus on serving children and families who

have experience with trauma and adversity. For more info see the announcement posted to the list serv.

- The Alzheimer's association is offering free training for promotoras in order to better reach the Latinx community. Patricia suggested that they get in touch with Centro Hispano and Planned Parenthood, who also have promotoras programs.
- St. Vincent DePaul announced that they have a free pharmacy program at their location on Fish Hatchery Road and offer services in Spanish on Thursdays. The pharmacy is available to anyone who is uninsured and under 200% federal poverty level. Also they are looking to increase capacity, so please connect them to anyone who would be willing to volunteer at least bi-weekly. One third of pharmacy customers prefer to communicate in Spanish. Members suggested some possible volunteers.
- Brenda announced that Agrace is collaborating with Madison College to offer scholarships for CNAs interested in nursing careers. Once working for Agrace, there will be more scholarship opportunities to obtain an RN. This initiative is aimed specifically, for CNAs of color.
- Patricia announced that she received a request from Madison Gospel for an upcoming Gospel 5k Sat 7/20. The Madison gospel run/walk proceeds will go towards creating program at improving health of Madison residents, specifically communities of color and those impacted by health disparities. The Run/walk will also have a health fair. Requesting agencies to table at the run/event. Want to make sure that Latinx community organizations are represented at the event.
- Patricia announced that Access CHC is holding its fundraising dinner on April 4. The Latino Health council has a table at the dinner and there are two or three spots open. Contact Patricia asap if you're interested in attending the fundraiser.

Old Business:

Listserv - People have been having trouble accessing the listserv. Usually, difficulty with receiving emails is tied to your organization's security. Will transition to a Google group in the near future. Brenda will send out invitations and members will need to accept them in order to be added. She will take responsibility for making sure that people are connected with the list serv.

Membership Committee reminded people that organizations need to send in the current membership agreement and 2019 dues if they have not done so. Membership committee will reach out to members who have not been regularly attending meetings. Copies of the 2019 membership agreement were pass out.

Patricia suggested that members share their personal contact info in case someone needs to contact them. Information would be password protected and only used if necessary.

Patricia reminded members that guests are welcome, but members should try to first let co-chairs know who they'd like to invite. Invitations should be first approved by the Exec committee before attending a meeting.

The development of the new website is moving slower than anticipated, but anticipate it will be ready to present at the April or May meeting.

Presentation:

Marta Olvera and Ann Goth gave a presentation about RISE and specifically their Children Come First program.

Services Provided

- Crisis and safety planning
- Treatment Plan development to address behaviors putting youth at risk for institutional placement
- Service coordination (making referrals for treatment services and community programs).
- Development of a Child & Family Team and facilitation of team meetings.
- Family Advocacy
- Provider Network of traditional and non-traditional service providers.

Eligibility:

- Dane County resident and under 19 years of age.
- The child/youth must be eligible for Wisconsin Medical Assistance.
- DSM Diagnosis by psychiatrist or psychologist. Diagnosis cannot be more than 18 months old.
- Current emotional/behavioral problems putting child at imminent risk of placement in a residential care center, juvenile corrections, psychiatric institution or foster care.
- Traditional, outpatient mental health services have been tried & not been successful
- Involvement with two (2) or more of the following systems: Mental Health Services, Social Services, Special Education, Child Protective Services, Juvenile Justice,
- Functional impairment in at least two of the following areas: age-appropriate self-care, community, social relationships, family

Referral Process: Contact Ann Goth by phone or email to begin the referral process.

- DCDHS social worker, parent or other referral source contacts Central Intake requesting enrollment. Parent must be aware of & involved in the process since CCF is voluntary. Strongly encourage obtaining parent/guardian consent before starting the referral process.
- Referral Specialist gathers information, determines if child is eligible & completes the Eligibility Criteria & Client Demographics form.
- Referral Specialist presents case at CCF Eligibility Review Board (CERB). CERB is every Thursday afternoon at RISE at 2:00.
- If client is deemed eligible, client is assigned to a Care Coordinator.

Members asked many questions related to eligibility, barriers experienced by families, particularly Latinx families and other families of color. Presenters were asked if they could provide demographic data on what the percentage of children served are Latinx and the general success rate for the program. Presenters will follow up with that information.

There was also significant discussion about Comprehensive Community Services, its eligibility and services provided. CCF program often refers parents to CCS if they aren't eligible for services under Children Come First.

Marta shared one story of a successful outcome in working with someone in out-of-home placement who was likely undocumented, but still eligible because of the out-of-home placement. She worked with them for three years and now he's an adult with a job and doing much better.

They also talked briefly about RISE's early childhood programs, which are largely preventative. Those programs include Welcome Baby, Parent Child Home, and Early Childhood Infnitive. All but one location for all programs has at least one bilingual staff. They are also hiring for a part-time bilingual home-based mental health service provider.

Fernando and Patricia suggested that RISE come back at another meeting to discuss their presentation programs in more depth. Children Com First program information and brochures in Spanish and English have been shared through the LHC listserv.

The next meeting will be held at the Fitchburg Community Center in April.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM