

<u>The Northwest Collaborative for Families and Young Children</u> A Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC) CT Birth to Three System

In partnership with Torrington Early Childhood Collaborative (TECC) Child Growth & Development Workgroup Meeting **March 17, 2016** Location: Center for Youth and Families (a program of Charlotte Hungerford Hospital) 50 Litchfield St

In Attendance: Ruthann Horvay Winchester FRC, Lisa Candels; EDUCATION CONNECTION Nurturing Families; Donna Labbe, TECC/TPS; Julie Fabiaschi, Birth to Graduation; Patti Harris, TPS; Jan Lyons, Brooker Memorial; Laura Dubreuil, Family Strides; , Family Strides

B-3 Updates: N/A

TECC Update: Kindergarten Readiness Fair March 5th (March 12th snow date), TECC Steering Meeting to discuss sustainability (Grant is completed June 30, 2016), Office of Early Childhood asked for a Regional Meeting to share the OEC Plan with the parents/providers, service agencies etc . . .

LICC – Impact of Technology on Young Children April 26- Tuesday 6-8 PMVogel Wetmore Cafeteria Recommended Sensory Processing for May session and a backup could be a Play Group KidsPlay with Summer Opportunities. Focus Group Debrief – Be sure to put expenses on income for Husky, If not eligible for Husky A may be able to get Husky B (does not automatically switch), when a child turns 1, they need to re-enroll

EDUCATION CONNECTION Nurturing Families Network – Full, handed out information on an upcoming presentation One Key Question: Would you like to become pregnant this year? April 13 12-1:30 (lunch provided) located at City Hall. A project of CT maternal & Child Health Coalition supported by March of Dimes – <u>Micarey95@aol.com</u>

CHILD FIRST Continue to accept referrals, Mother's Event is in the works – Friday before Mother's Day. Accepting new and gently worn clothes - Full staff, Funding remained the same for at least another year, may be Medicaid

COMMUNITY SHARING:

- Birth to Graduation Recommendation to gather tips for parents on services, Spring classes beginning
- <u>Winsted FRC-</u> Republican Budget cut 7% still time to advocate, Parent SEE is going well, Cradle to Classroom Advocacy Summit March 22nd
- Family Strides Looking for first time parents, 123 Magic Group Going, and Discipline Training
- <u>Torrington Public Schools Special Ed</u> Busy taking care of referrals June 9th is the last day of school, all programs are filled
- <u>Brooker Memorial</u> Fit Together is providing a 3 component on child obesity prevention at Brooker it will have a nutrition, physical activity component and next steps children need to be referred by pediatrician. A flier will be forthcoming weekly seven week parents will pay and be reimbursed after completing it. Two Hearts Project on housing is on hold.

Items for the next agenda Transportation Planning Meeting & Tips for Parents

Next Meeting: April 21st, 9am-11am. Respectfully submitted by: Donna Labbe