

North Carolina Collaborative for Children, Youth, and Families

April 23, 2010 9:00 am to 11:00 am

LOCATION: 1331 Sunday Drive. Raleigh, NC 27607

<http://www.nccollaborative.org>

Name/Affiliation		Name/Affiliation		Name/Affiliation	
May Alexander, Durham LME, SOC		Johna Hughes, UNC-CH/SW		Susan E. Robinson, DMHDSAS	x
Gary Ander, Alamance DSS		Kathryn Hunsucker, SOC Coord, Onslow-Carteret LME		Joel Rosch, Duke Univ CCFP	
Sheila Bazemore, NC DPI Off Sch Readiness		Lynn Inman, SOC Coord.ACR LME		Jennifer Rothman, NAMI-NC	
Andrew Behnke, NCSU, Coop.Ext.		Sonia Johnson, Bladen Co. Fam Prtnr		Lisa Salo, SOC Coord, Guilford Center	
Michael Bishop MHA		Libby Jones, Parent, Co-Chair	x	Paul Savery, DMH/DD/SAS	x
Candice Britt, DSS		Linda Jones Alamance DSS		Joe Simmons, NC DPI EC	x
Janine Britt, SE Regional LME		Catherine Joyner, DPH-CMPCT		Alexandra Sirota, Action for Children	
June Britt, Office of Educ. Services, DHHS		Narell Joyner, Meck Cares SOC State Liaison		Laura Smith, Pembroke Univ	
Jamal Carr, DJJDP		Jinx Kenan, DCD		Liz Snyder, DSS SOC, Duke Univ	
Nancy Carter, SAYSO, ILR, Inc.		Elizabeth Kurzer, Dept. of Commerce		Pat Solomon, NC Families United & Sandhills LME	
Johanna Chase, NCDPI School Health Ed		Keith Letchworth, ECU		Alicia Spain, Beacon Center(LME)	
Simone Chessa, DMA		Andrea Lewis, DCD		Flo Stein, DMHDSAS	
Brendon Comer, Gateway College		Martha Lowrance, DOA, YA&I		Kurt Stephenson, AOC	
Jackie Copeland, Crossroads LME		Jennifer Mahan, MHANC		Alexia Stith, AOC	
Gail Cormier, NC Families United		Gerri Mattson, DPH		Chary Sundstrom, NC School Psych. Assn.	
Kiesha Crawford, AOC		Trishana McKendall, DOA, YA&I		Linda Swann, Sandhills NAMI/NC	
Al Deitch, DOA-YA&I		Erin McLaughlin, MHA, Inc	x	Alma Taylor, DVR	
Lana Dial, AOC/CIP		Angela Mendell, Bladen County LEA		Kristin Sullivan, DRNC	
Regina Dickens, ICARE		Rhoda Miller, DMHDSAS		Jeffery Watson, DOA, YA&I	
Kathy Dobbs, CFSA-NC		Tara Minter, DOA		Rebecca Wells, UNC-CH/SPH, Co-Chair	
Angel Dowden, NC DPI Special Projects		Stephanie Nantz, DOA/YA&I		Jerry Wilkinson, DPH early intervention	
Dean Duncan, UNC-CH Sch SW		Mary Neil Morris SE Regional LME	x	Monique Bethel, DPH	
Maria (Ging) Fernandez, DMHDSAS		Kelly Nguyen, Powerful Youth		Connie Windham, Alamance Alliance	
Alex Fonville, Five County COG SOC Coordinator		Mark O'Donnell, DMHDSAS		Berkeley Yorkery, Action for Children	
Kirstin Frescoln AOC		Martin Pharr, DJJDP (Judy Stevens)		Rick Zechman, DSS	x
Terri Grant, CSFT LME Coord, Durham Ctr		Deborah Prickett, NC DPI Character Ed		Tim Rosenberg, Youth Advocate	x
Kelly Graves, CYFCP UNC-G		Tiffany Price, UNC SW		GUESTS:	
Joe Haenn, NC DPI Off of School Readiness		Tiffany Purdy, Beacon Center (LME)		Amy Lynn Roderick, with Tristan's Quest	x
Melissa Hill, NASW-NC		Rebecca Reeve, NC Healthy Schools		Dr. Jean Allen, Tristan's Quest	x
		Jack Register, NASW-NC		Ann Brewster, Duke	x
		Heather Reynolds, NC DPI PBS	x	Kim Allen, NCSU Extension	x
				Lori Cole, AOC	x
		John Stephen, School of Gov.t UNC-CH	x	Mary N. Word, Dept of Correction	x
				List updated 3-8-10	

<p>March 26, 2010 1. Welcome & Introductions</p>	<p>We opened with a welcome to all present and introductions.</p>	
<p>2. Approval of Attendance/Minutes from 4.9.2010 Meeting</p>	<p>Approved. If anyone would like changes made to minutes, contact Erin McLaughlin at MHANC.</p>	
<p>3a. Discussion Topics/ Presentations</p>	<p>Dr. Jean Allen and Amy Lynn Rhoderick presented on the SKIP Initiative (Support for Kids of Incarcerated Parents). SKIP is based out of Greensboro but has a presence across the Piedmont region. They work with youth from 3-21 and do developmental therapy, not psychology. Within Guilford county alone there are about 2,500 kids with one or more parents incarcerated. Incarcerated parents can be imprisoned all across the country, 68 diff. prisons across the US represented last year.</p> <p>The emotional toll on children with incarcerated parents can be immense. One child asked, why does my daddy want to do drugs instead of be with me? Another child wondered if her mom got a blanket because three months ago she spoke to her mom and her mom said she was cold.</p> <p>The support groups include sharing time, lesson of the day and an activity...usually about 45 minutes. Benefits of SKIP include: increased communication with the incarcerated parent, increased math and reading EOG scores, increased class attendance, and children get emotional support. The presentation is attached to the email and will be posted on the State Collaborative website.</p> <p>Dr. Ann Brewster, Research Scientist with Duke University’s Center for Child and Family Policy, will present on <i>The Positive Youth Development Approach to High School Graduation and Beyond: Effective Practices, Programs, and Policies</i>. Many kinds of factors correlate with dropping out of school, e.g.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demographic factors (e.g., SES) • Academic factors (failing grades; grade retention) • Social processes (negative peer influence) • Family, peer, school, neighborhood, cultural factors <p>There is not one type of child that drops out of school. Dr. Brewster highlighted a study she had done with female students who had dropped out of school, all valued school highly but had other circumstances that required they leave school. Factors, beyond just socio-economic factors and race, must be considered when studying the drop out issue, such as mental health, school environment, etc...</p> <p>Steps to Implement Effective programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine the problem first, not program first • Target pop. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Target goals ◆ Identify limitations to work with (e.g., budget) ◆ Determine whether to modify, adopt, or create ◆ Pilot ◆ Evaluate (Process and Outcome) ◆ If successful, disseminate ◆ Continue to evaluate <p>Obstacles and Policies that prevent programs from being effective:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Not being appropriate for target population, target problem, or context ◆ Not having program fidelity ◆ Not choosing model programs ◆ Not developing programs based on research evidence ◆ Not evaluating programs enough or well ◆ Not disseminating quality programs 	

<p>3b. Collaborative Partner Updates</p> <p>3c. Agenda Items for Future Meetings</p>	<p>One particular promising practice is the “Early Warning Systems” to Identify Potential High School Dropouts in HS (Heppen & Therriault, 2008)</p> <p>Dr. Brewster is currently piloting AIM, Adult Identity Project which works to help youth develop future goals and steps to achieve such goals. The presentation is attached to the email and will be posted on the State Collaborative website.</p> <p>May 14: Our focus will *not* be on our usual second Friday internal process improvement agenda. Instead, we will be discussing the Division of Social Services’ Annual Progress and Services Report. The Annual Progress and Services Report addresses prevention programs, child protective services, foster care, Independent Living Services and adoption.</p>	
--	--	--

Work Group & Partner Updates

Training and T/A, 2nd Friday after NC Collaborative mtg. @ NC MHA
Martha Lowrance, Johna Hughes and Mark O’Donnell

School-based Behavioral Health 4th Friday after NC Collaborative mtg. @ NC MHA
Keith Letchworth and Susan Robinson

Youth in Transition 2nd Wednesday from 2 - 4 PM @ NC Judicial Center
Lana Dial and Trishana Jones

Data and Evaluation
Alexandra Forter Sirota

Cultural Competence
Lana Dial

Audio visual & Conference Call needs: Erin McLaughlin, Erin.Mclaughlin@mha-nc.org (please provide one week’s notice)

www.nccollaborative.org