

NE Family Youth System Partner Meeting Minutes NE FYSPRT July 21, 2022

Introduction

Increasing Tribal/Diverse Community/Family/Youth Involvement Becky Hammill, NE FYSPRT Convener

The NE FYSPRT met on July 21, 2022. Becky Hammill convened the meeting via Zoom and welcomed 19 attendees with 3 family, tribal and youth members, and 16 system partners. Becky noted several members had indicated they were on vacation this week. Gail Kogle, System Partner Tri-Lead was present. Becky began the meeting by sharing the acknowledgement that we are living and working on land that originally belonged to the Tribes.

General NE FYSPRT Business

A. Contract/Compliance – Community Education

Jazmyn Long, Children's Home Social Early Head Start Program

Jazmyn provided the NE FYSPRT with information on the Early Head Start Program for children age birth to three years. The program is free for qualifying parents and includes information for parents on early childhood education, including developmental screenings, weekly virtual home visits with a child development specialist, virtual group activities for children and parents, as well as health, mental health, and nutrition education and support. Parents must meet low income federal guidelines. Children who are homeless or in foster care qualify for the program. The program is voluntary and siblings can also participate. The goal is to provide approximately 90 minutes of service weekly. NE FYSPRT members shared information on resources to link with Early Head Start and Jazmyn indicated they collaborate closely with the Spokane Regional Health District. There is currently no wait list for services.

Jazmyn was thanked for providing information on this valuable early intervention program for such a vulnerable population.

B. Contractual WISe Data Report Becky Hammill, Convener

Becky indicated that Passages' WISe teams are full and are referring families to other WISe teams, however, they are also full. JP Pilkinton from Daybreak indicated their WISe team is also full and there is a long wait list in all of Spokane County. There are no new WISe teams being established.



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NE FYSPRT Self-Care Fair June 1, 2022 Evaluation

Becky indicated that the weather was much better this year for the 2nd NE FYSPRT self-care fair. She indicated that there were not very many clients from other NE FYSPRT agencies represented and there were a fewer vendors than last year. Becky stressed the desire to have representation of clients from all the NE FYSPRT agencies and more youth/families.

Some members indicated that they couldn't get the flyers distributed to their organization's employees and clients timely and the group discussed the issue of branding the flyers with organizational logos and the need for agencies to reply back quickly so printing and distribution can occur 4-6 weeks prior to the event.

Social determinants of health is addressed in the NE FYSPRT Work Plan and Becky noted that 2nd Harvest estimated over 500 people were provided food – unfortunately some of whom did not attend the vendor/resource fair and only went to 2nd Harvest's food truck. A grant was utilized to pay for the 2nd Harvest expenses which helped this year.

If a decision is made to have the fair again next year, planning will begin in January and all NE FYSPRT members are encouraged to participate in planning activities.

Meeting Evaluation/Next Meeting

Members attending today's meeting were asked to complete the NE FYSPRT evaluation.

The next meeting will be August 18, 2022 via Zoom at this time due to the high number of COVID cases in Spokane County.