

Children's Behavioral Health System State Board
Meeting Minutes
March 14th, 2023
10:00 am to 2:15 pm
Lucas State Office Building, Room 517/518
321 E.12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319

CHILDREN'S BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Andrew Allen	Mary Neubauer
Kim Buryanek (co-chair)	Kristie Oliver
Kelly Garcia (co-chair)	Kari Price
Marcus Johnson-Miller	Okpara Rice

CHILDREN'S BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM:

Darci Alt	Carol Meade
Dan Cox	Brad Niebling
Senator Claire Celsi	Shanell Wagler
Scott Hobart	Rich Whitaker

CHILDREN'S BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Timi Brown-Powers	Nathan Noble
Senator Jeff Edler	Jason Sandholdt
Representative Shannon Lundgren	Beth Townsend

OTHER ATTENDEES:

DeAnn Decker
Marissa Eyanson
Kevin Gabbert
Patti Manna

Public Attendance by Zoom not recorded

Materials Referenced

Children's Board January 10th, 2022, Meeting Minutes
Metrics and Outcomes Update Children's Behavioral Health System State Board Meeting
Early Childhood Initiatives for Universal Screening
Substance Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment, & Recovery

Welcome and Introductions

Kim Buryanek, Iowa Department of Education representative, and Marissa Eyanson, Director of the Division of Behavioral Health and Disability Services, called the meeting to order at 10:02 am thanking the Children's Board and the public for their attendance in-person and virtually.

Board membership changes

Dr. Dan Cox and Okpara Rice have terms that are ending. Mary Neubauer has been appointed to a second term. Kristie Oliver and Dr. Cindy Yelick have each been appointed to a first term. Senator Liz Mathis has retired. Senator Jeff Elder has appointed to a third term. Senator Claire Celsi has been appointed to a first term.

Department and Legislative Updates – Marissa Eyanson and Kim Buryanek

Kim Buryanek shared that the Department of Education opened competitive grant applications for the [Stronger Connections Grants](#). The Department anticipates awarding 60 grants, distributed across small to large applicant districts. The grants are intended for school districts to focus on creating safer and healthier learning environments and will address preventing and responding to acts of bullying, violence, and harassment that impact school communities at individual and systemic levels.

Kim Buryanek also shared that the Department of Education's [Conditions for Learning \(CfL\)](#) survey will be administered April 3 - 28 to public schools. The Conditions for Learning survey is part of the Iowa Department of Education's plan under the federal education law, [Every Student Succeeds Act \(ESSA\)](#). All Iowa public school districts will use Conditions for Learning Surveys to improve safety, student engagement, and the overall learning environment so that all Iowa students have optimum conditions for learning.

Substance Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment and Recovery

Marissa Eyanson introduced DeAnn Decker, Bureau Chief of Substance Use Disorder, Prevention, and Recovery and Kevin Gabbert, Opioid Initiatives Director, who provided an overview of the work of the Bureau of Substance Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment, & Recovery. Previously known as the Bureau of Substance Abuse, the bureau continues to focus on prevention and treatment and has grown to include a recovery aspect.

The bureau actively works to protect and improve the health of Iowans by mitigating the risks and harms associated with substance use and gambling. Specifically, the bureau supports policy and regulates treatment programs, in order to reduce substance use and gambling problems, and increase remission and recovery.

DeAnn and Kevin reviewed payer sources and shared data demonstrating who is helped by the programs. They shared resources available including the Integrated Provider Network (IPN) and Your Life Iowa.

Review & Vote on Approval of November 18th, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Quorum was established at: 11:12 am.

Okpara Rice made a motion to approve the November 18th, 2023, meeting minutes. Andrew Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Metrics and Outcomes Update

Brad Niebling, Outreach and Alignment Senior Project Manager, led a discussion on the re-formation of the Children's Board Metrics and Outcomes Subcommittee. He gave a brief update on the work team and discussed the prioritized outcomes from the strategic planning process.

Brad led a collaborative activity for board members to provide feedback on what Outcome 2, "All children are free of impairment from un-addressed behavioral health concerns or issues," means to them. The Metrics and Outcomes work team will review the information gathered and provide the Board with data for review and recommendations in developing the 2023 legislative report.

Break

11:58 am to 12:46 for lunch.

Early Childhood Initiatives for Universal Screening

Marcus Johnson-Miller, Bureau Chief, Family Health Bureau, provided an update of Early Childhood Initiatives for Universal Screening. Marcus described the 1st Five program, which is a public-private partnership bridging primary care and public health services in Iowa. The 1st Five model supports health providers in the earlier detection of social-emotional and developmental delays and family risk-related factors in children birth to 5 and coordinates referrals, interventions, and follow-up.

Marcus shared how the 1st Five program's developmental screenings connect to other federal and state funded programs, research that emphasizes the importance of early brain development, and the connection and benefits of early screening. Marcus outlined the 1st Five model of implementation and service delivery system.

Discussion of Today's Meeting

Due to time constraints, Kelly Garcia asked the board to share their thoughts by email regarding today's meeting.

Planning for Future Meetings

Due to time constraints, Kelly Garcia asked the board to share their thoughts by email regarding suggestions for speakers or presentations for the May meeting.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:12 pm.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Patti Manna.