



## Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Child Care Child Care Advisory Council

January 18, 2013

Lazarus A601 12:15pm-2:45pm

### Introductions

- Motion to approve the December minutes Terri Raneri; Teri Brannum seconds the motion.

### Committee Updates

#### I.T. Committee

*Elaine Ward, Community Professional*

*Stephanie Shafer, CCAS*

- Child link is progressing on schedule.
- ODJFS will work onsite with programs to determine staff and training needs for Project 11. Design sessions will begin in the spring of 2013.
- Project 12 Child Assessment is slightly behind schedule dependant on the work with Maryland.
- The 1099 will be sent to the printers next week. Providers must update their information within the provider portal to ensure accuracy.
- The RFCs deadline date is 6/30; the school age change is the highest priority and should be implemented by the new school year.
- Business Intelligence work will begin and be a piece of the system architecture to create an added level of systems for in-depth reporting (operational, trend, dashboard), fraud detection, statistical, data modeling and pulls.
- A new 90 day rerun proposal report has been created to display children, providers and money. This report would display a service month as opposed to what was paid that month.
  - **I.T. Committee recommended tracking absent days remaining, children cycled in and out of the system**

### Policy and Rule Committee

*Julie Piazza-King, Not for Profit*

*Michelle Albast, BCCD*

- A type B workgroup is reviewing type B rules. The Policy committee will review these rules in March-April.
- Feedback was provided regarding combining type A and type B rules.
- Accessibility, consistency, and availability with child care trainings were discussed in detail.
- The committee reviewed a redraft of the SUTQ survey that will be distributed to two and three star programs to obtain feedback.

### Market Rate Survey

*Steve Naber, OSU*

*Chris Holloman, OSU*

*Matthew Murray, BCCD*

- The Market rate Survey distributed was a draft and the final copy will be emailed and posted on the Child care website.

- Currently, we are operating under the 2008 structure until we are informed otherwise. There is no assumption that the way the data is presented will be implemented.
- At this point, until a policy standpoint is created regarding combining type A and B homes, we cannot determine type A and type B rates.
- ODJFS did not have this data to prepare the budget documents for the Governor's office; there is no feedback on how it will affect the budget.
- This data is used when reporting to the Feds the accessibility and affordability of care. It also assists with reimbursements rates for budgeting and policy purposes.
- The error should state 0 to guarantee accuracy listed on the rate sheets; at times, the times listed were 12x the actual amount and had to be removed. The error rates were higher this survey vs. previous surveys possibly due to the difference in hours asked.
  - 20-30% of states use the Resource and Referral database obtaining the match.
- OSU does not report variance between clusters. The clusters from 2010-2012 were close to the same thing and did not appear to differ much over time.
- Please email any questions to Matthew Murray: [Matthew.Murray@ifs.ohio.gov](mailto:Matthew.Murray@ifs.ohio.gov)

### **Family Child Care (FCC) Standards**

*Michelle Albast, BCCD*

- The Family Child Care standards for type A homes were distributed along with the Career Pathways. The career pathways can be found on the OPDN website.
- The standards of centers and type A reside within policies which lead to FCC standard creation for participation in Step Up To Quality (SUTQ).
- Focus groups with child care providers and stakeholders reviewed the FCC standards for both type A and type B homes. Enough concern and question arose that ODJFS took a step back with FCC type B standards to communicate the information out with the standards and SUTQ, why it is important in Ohio, and the ELCG work.
  - January 2014 type B homes will be licensed; July 2014 type Bs will begin in SUTQ.
  - ODJFS' current plan will be to review type B policies to drive what belongs in SUTQ. IN late spring/summer, an evaluation of the type B standards will be reviewed. For example, a type B can have an assistant yet does not need to meet education or training criteria; they cannot be left alone with children. The workgroup suggested allowing a staff member in the type B home to assist with additional duties.
- Type A home standards will increase to five stars and obtain points through domains similar to centers.
- A guidance document will be created to better explain the FCC standards.
- Feedback:
  - Type B would like to know more, better planning, what to expect and how to accomplish this task.
  - SUTQ, ELCG, and Certification to Licensing 101 should occur to explain basic information.
  - The SUTQ 101 webinar should be modified with a focus on education. The community feels they cannot participate unless rated and are unsure of what education is required.
  - A county webinar should be completed as a first point of communication.
  - The same quality should be upheld for centers and homes to maintain consistency and quality. The homes can be simplified but caution must be taken to define *what* the quality means.
  - Quality is determined by the professionals working with children.

- The ASQ can be purchased and used without going through training so is training required if a tool does not need one? A guidance document should be created to address parent concerns, referrals.
  - The step one standard is similar to a current step one. Step two and three aligns with the new standards for centers.
- Each quarter is a different average based on who has been rated. ODJFS will work with OCCRRA to provide the last six or 12 months on Quality Achievement Awards (QAA). It has appeared to range from 8000-8400. The structure of the QAA is anticipated to be maintained.
- Type A can have 2:12 ratio; 3:12 is 3 adults and a range of 12 children.
  - Review center standards to make sure the group sizes is consistent across all the standards.
- Health screening will be evaluated by a Doctor annually; the provider will review and submit this.
- OCCRRA is prepared to accommodate the extra type B work yet contracting and issues will be reviewed with them.
- Type Bs can begin OPDN now if they choose. ODJFS will communicate logical pieces to start.
- ODJFS should distribute what type Bs can do now to get ready.
- Monies allocated in the executive budget are what ODJFS can work with regarding enhanced subsidies. ODJFS anticipates a five star subsidies structure. Proposals are prepared once the budget is determined. OSU reviewed our highest cluster which is paying at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile. Once ODJFS lands on a percent, an analysis of the percentile can be completed.
- Barriers and inconsistencies with policies for type B homes can cause some of this confusion. The goal is to find what quality means whether center or home based.
- It should be rephrased, for example, you receive points for a High School diploma and for your years of service. If you have a High School degree and have been in service for 8 years, you already qualify.
- ODJFS will better clarify communication to type B providers and counties. Professional Development is segregated by provider type thus a review must be done to create more diversity.
- The QAA and NAEYC timeline has yet to be determined based on the release of the executive budget.
- ODJFS is assessing the development of a one pager regarding frequent feedback on the center standards; spring 2013 is the goal for a guidance document draft.
- Discussions with vendors are occurring on the new system and tentative timelines will be determined this month. For example, renewal of star ratings will be determined if it will be system automated.
- User testing will still occur yet a date has not been determined.

### **Division Updates**

*Alicia Leatherman, OFA Child Care*

*Lisa Baker, ODE*

- A SUTQ milestone was obtained in December crossing over 1200; 57 programs are waiting to be initially rated.
- A cultural group will review the Child Assessment for bias.

- Comprehensive Assessment System cognitive interviews occurred. Currently, assessment items are now being reviewed. Three Ad Hoc workgroups must be created around the assessment and seeking nominations. The groups will only meet two to four times this year and the first two groups will be a two full day meeting. Please try to complete the nominations today but no later than Friday January 25, 2013.
  - Bias and Sensitivity Workgroup: this committee will review passages and assessment items; gender, culture, social economic status, etc. Participants must have some expertise to bring attention to these issues.
  - Item Content Review Committee: review items selected for the Kindergarten entry and pre-k formative assessment. Participants should have a strong child development background and a strong understanding of our early childhood and development standards.
  - Implementation Review Committee: review teacher knowledge, use of technology. Participants should be teachers, large center education managers or teacher trainers.
- Please include your information on the first page and the nominations on the following pages.
- This nomination will be sent out but is strictly for the members or the council. Lisa will send Amy Eldridge the information and Amy can return this to the contact person.

### **Union Updates**

*Michael Batchelder, AFSCME*

- January 17, 2013 will be the first quarterly meeting of child care presidents across the state.

### **Guest Comments:**

- Ready, Set, Go Kindergarten is a group of 16 centers in Elyria working with Elyria City School to prepare for Kindergarten. It is a collaboration of Head Start Programs, Community College, ODE and MRDD. This year at 16 centers Get it, Got It, Go was completed on all children along with ECCER-S reviews. The goal is for all 16 centers to a two star level with the new tiers. Seeking additional funding by local corporations.

### **Check Out**

- *Agenda February Item:* ODJFS Executive Budget, Chapter 17 clearance process, SUTQ center standards.
- SUTQ center standards will be final within the next month. Chapter 17 should be in clearance by the next meeting.
- **Next meeting:** February 20, 2013.

**Child Care Advisory Council**  
**January 18, 2013**  
**Attendance**

Key:  Present       Absent

<b>Members</b>			
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<b>Ex-Officio Members:</b>			
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<b>Guests:</b>			
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