

Promise Partners Committee Meeting Notes
Connections Matter Committee

COMMITTEE: Connections Matter
MEETING DATE: February 7, 2019

LOCATION: Promise Partners 1st floor Conference Room
Careers Building - Iowa School for the Deaf Campus

Attendees: Grace Tunning- FAMILY Inc First Five, Susan Pawloski- Lutheran Family Services, Liz Addison- FAMILY Inc. I-Smile, John Donovan- UnitedHealthcare, Jordan Morse- WIC/Child & Family Resource Network, Jessica Rayment- Promise Partners

Introductions

Connections Matter Presentation

Jessica Rayment led a short Connections Matter Presentation to the committee, adding more focus on ACES. Additionally slides were included that included the upstairs/downstairs brain and Charlie Brown Christmas Tree.

Community Awareness Survey

A community survey was done with members of the community to find public awareness of ACES and the importance of relationships.

- 66 people completed the survey.
- 59% are Council Bluffs residents, 6% are Treynor residents, 15% are residents of Nebraska.
- 53% are a parent/guardian, 74% work in a nonprofit, 24% are a community volunteer, 15% work for a for-profit business, 9% are self-employed. 3% faith community, 19% medical/healthcare, 26% education.
- There seems to be some general awareness around ACES and resiliency.

The committee agreed to implement the survey another month. Special attention will be given to ensure that community members are surveyed that work in the following fields: for-profit, fire/police, church/ministry.

Updates on Connections Matter Trainings & Development of Presentation

Prevent Child Abuse Iowa has made updates to the current Connections Matter curriculum. There are no current plans to hold a training in Iowa. The committee is hopeful that a training will be included at the Community Partnerships for Protecting Children (CPPC) Statewide Conference in late March. Further train-the-trainer or Refreshers will be discussed past this date.

Creation and Edits of Pre-Post Survey for Presentations

Tabled until March 2019 meeting.

Expansion of Committee

Tabled until March 2019 meeting.

Next Meeting

Thursday, March 7, 2019 9:00am -10:30am, Promise Partners 1st floor Conference Room, Council Bluffs.

Connections Matter Committee's Purpose Statement:

Establishing firm foundations, using various public relations and internal connections, we expanded our committee in order to effectively meet the needs of identified communities from the awareness phase to the follow-up, planning documentation and action steps.