



First Steps Central MN Joint Powers Board Meeting Minutes
 May 14, 2021 11:00am-12:00pm Via Zoom



Attendees: Kelly Ball, Leah Krotzer, Commissioner Barbara Burandt, Commissioner Mark Daleiden, Deb Rieland, Nicole Ruhoff, Katie Bremseth, Commissioner Tarryl Clark, Commissioner Beth Schlangen, Janet Goligowski, Sarah Grosshuesch
 Absent: Amanda Larson, Tammy Seifert

AGENDA ITEM	MINUTES/MOTION	FOLLOW-UP
1. Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Approval of Minutes b. Approval of Agenda 	1. The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Commissioner Barbara Burandt. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Commissioner Mark Daleiden made a motion to approve the February 12, 2021, meeting minutes. Commissioner Tarryl Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried. b. Commissioner Tarryl Clark made a motion to approve the May 14, 2021, meeting agenda. Commissioner Mark Daleiden seconded the motion. Motion carried. 	
2. Staff Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Transition to MECSH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline of Implementation – Kelly Ball, Regional FHV Program Manager • Return to in-person visits – Directors b. Data Snapshot <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MDH Report & Referral Numbers – Leah Krotzer, Regional FHV Data Manager c. Budget Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Expended – Katie Bremseth, Sherburne County Fiscal Officer • Budget Modifications – Directors 	2. Staff Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. -Kelly gave a brief overview of the MECSH model. A MECSH implementation committee has been formed for the transition. Current home visiting models, NFP and HFA, have been notified of departure. Interoperability work is being done on standardizing documentation and FHV nursing practice among the four counties. Two mixed cohort (nurse and supervisors) trainings for MECSH will be held in June; done via Zoom. July 1 is the date for transition. -Directors shared that returning to in-person visits with clients is being discussed at each agency. Most are still doing phone or video visits with some doing in-person drop offs of documents and materials. Stearns is starting to do outside visits. Wright has been seeing clients with specific guidelines being followed. b. Data snapshots were included in the agenda packet. COVID response continues to impact the work and capacity; currently the EBHV-Grant caseload capacity is at 40% (lower than expected due to PHNs involved in COVID response and open positions). Across the county collaboration total evidenced-based home visiting at 65% capacity. Collaboration goal to bring EBHV to Benton county is seeing steady growth in caseload over this past quarter following PHNs completion of training. Referrals remain steady and averaging 17 per week through the centralized intake during 2021 quarter 1. 	

	<p>c. The budget summary was included in agenda packet. Overall, 38 % of the budget has been spent (Wright County 38%, Stearns County 9%, and Benton County 29%).</p> <p>d. Revisions are being made to maximize spending. There was a meeting with MDH about the ability to roll over funds or do a complete reset of how agencies are funded; still waiting for an answer. The collaborative would like to start with a clean slate based on all of the changes that have occurred because of COVID and with the transition to MECSH. The carryover funds from the end of the grant will not be available.</p>	
3. Adjourn	3. Commissioner Barbara Burandt adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.	

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