Minutes: Early ACCESS Executive Committee Meeting

Date, time, and place	Friday, December 10, 2010 12:30pm-2:30pm Jesse Parker Bldg., Starkweather Room
Attendees	Present: Debra Waldron, Julie Hahn, Gretchen Hageman, LauraBelle Sherman-Proehl, Carrie Sodders, Heather Moorman, Jane Borst Unable to attend: Jeff Anderson, Gina Green, Mary Stevens Staff: Julie Curry, Marion Kresse, Rae Miller, Meghan Wolfe, Chris Rubino, Angi Hillers
Meeting start	Julie Hahn Welcome at 12:35, reviewed minutes, motion by Gretchen Hageman to approve minutes as corrected, second by Carrie Sodders; motion passed unanimously.
Data informed decision making	Julie Hahn and Julie Curry The Committee reviewed questions Council members had regarding APR data and planned priority activities for the January ICEA meeting. LauraBelle shared a conversation that she had with the AEA Special Education Directors group. They suggested that Early ACCESS conduct some sort of environmental scan - what are the different populations that are served by Early ACCESS? They were wondering how to set targets when we do not have the numbers for the prevalence of different disabilities. Debra Waldron suggested some web resources that would be useful [see links listed below], Child Health USA has Iowa specific data; county-level data is also available and Dr. Acarregui's group has hospital level data. State staff will use these and other data sources to research the prevalence of different disabilities. http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/iowa/overall-rankings http://datacenter.kidscount.org/?gclid=COPT2-GO8qUCFY64KgodoDzPnw http://www.cahmi.org/pages/Home.aspx

Low birth weight/ prematurity	Debra Waldron
	There is a continuum of prematurity; there is no concrete timeline for risks. There are some standard definitions for pre-term. 87% of children are not born technically pre-term. 10.8% are on the borderline. 2% of births meet the technical definition of pre-term. The largest majority of infants are "late preterm", and these children have significant risks for long-term neurodevelopmental consequences, and significantly increased healthcare costs. It is important to figure out the long-term educational needs for children born late-pre-term. It seems as though there is little information given now. More research needs to be done on how to educate children that are born pre-term. Possible implications for Early ACCESS include: - Identifying areas of the state that have higher than expected rates of late pre-term births, - Working with the state perinatal team to educate doctors about the dangers of early c-section and inductions, - Clarifying issues of eligibility, funding, and services and, - Sharing information about preterm births with family support programs.
APR input and review SPP targets	State Staff
	Julie Curry shared that the Council recommended targets for indicators, and that other stakeholder groups agreed with the targets recommended by the Council.
Review Annual Report to the Governor	Carrie Sodders
	The group worked through the report page by page and made suggested edits. Each Signatory Agency will provide any additional edits to state staff by Wednesday, December 15th. State staff will make edits to the document and submit them to the Lead Agency for final approval. The goal is to have the Governor's Report completed by December 21st.
Plan ICEA meeting 1/21/11	Julie Hahn
	If there is inclement weather, there will be a backup plan for a meeting via conference call and/or internet. This would be an abbreviated meeting covering C-1 and C-3 Indicators, and setting targets for the next two years. Day on the Hill planning would also be covered. State staff suggested using web conferencing.
Executive Comm. meeting 2/2/11	Wednesday, February 2nd; Executive Committee Meeting 11:00 - 1:00, the Signatory Agencies meeting will follow from 1:00 - 2:30.
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting by LauraBelle Sherman-Proehl, second by Debora Waldron, motion carried unanimously.