

Integrated Training Collaborative Meeting
July 21, 2014
Meeting Notes

Attending: Adele Rohner, Patty Eitemiller, Sheryl Fahey, Cori Hill, Dana Childress, Carol Burke, Pam Lang, Cathy Cook

1. Welcome, Announcements, & Celebrations
Sheryl – daughter-in-law is in labor with a little boy!
Dana – Procedural Safeguards module is completed...happy dance!
2. State & National Activities
I&TC office, T/TACs, VCPD, universities, local systems, Partnership, others
 - Arc Conference – July 31-Aug 2 at VA Beach
 - DEC – Oct 7-9 in St Louis (airfare is cheap now so book soon!)
 - Zero to Three – Dec 11-12 in Florida
3. Wrap-up of 2013-2014 Work Plan-Shared a one page summary of highlights. See attached.
4. Highlights of 2014-2015 Work Plan
 - Continuing deliverables: K training, Talks on Tuesdays, blog, portal, CoPA, LSM meetings
 - ToT topics chosen from feedback received over the past year.
 - EI Institute
 - Focus on practical, applicable content
 - 8 concurrent sessions by invited speakers addressing routines-based intervention, challenging situations, child & family outcome, IMH, collaboration with child care providers, resource-based coaching for SCs, authentic assessment, and early childhood biases.
 - Oct 14th – Double tree Hotel in Ch'ville
 - Planning committee – LSMs, providers, Part C staff
 - Full-day event:
 - Rush & Shelden – keynote speakers (morning); master coaches' institute (afternoon)
 - Afternoon concurrent sessions
 - Hope to have registration live by Aug 1st
 - Module revisions
 - Revamping of EI credentialing modules for EI certification
 - Trying to break content into smaller chunks of info to make it easier to digest and access
 - Increased interactivity
 - Use of videos and CAPs (Content Acquisition Podcasts)
 - CAPS – 3-5 min, work like tiny videos, very visual
 - CAPS under development: What is ITC of VA? and IDEA Part C

4 new packages/courses – in order of priority for revision/development

1. Orientation/overview of EI
2. The EI process
3. Roles & responsibilities of an EI provider
4. Family-centered practices

Child development module will eventually be revised into new format to boost interactivity.

Interested in reviewing module content? – Carol, Adele

➤ Video work

- What is EI?
 - As result of LSM meeting, support was requested for how to explain EBPs and EI to families and community partners. New page on VEIPD site is available with info about what is EI and why it works. New video is also in the works to try to answer these 3 questions:
 - What is EI?
 - What does it look like?
 - Why does it work?
 - Working with professional videographer. Interviewed ~8-9 providers, 2 parents, professor from JMU and 1 Part C staffer to answer and illustrate these questions. Will include clips of EI visits. Will be available on VEIPD site. Work continues through EPB workgroup to complete this project soon.
- Brandon's Story
 - Designed to show story of a teenager who received EI. Brandon is a 15 year old who has Down syndrome and is very gifted in music. Video includes interview with family and Brandon and shows him playing in a band concert.
- Lily's Assessment
 - Video is in the process of being edited. Planning to develop activities that supervisors/faculty can use to train staff in good practices with assessment & IFSP, using OSEP indicators to report assessment findings, etc.
 - Pam and Carol offered to help with project development & review.

➤ Coaching

- Organize/coordinate last coaching group & follow-up TA calls
 - Last coaching training to be held in Ch'ville on Oct 15-17 (Oct 15 - Master coaches only; Oct 16-17 - all coaches). Aimed at providing training to last 6 localities (and others if space is available)
 - Registration closes Aug 15th
- Ongoing TA calls with Richmond & Roanoke/SW
- Facilitator's guide
 - Being developed in response to requests for support with continuing coaching work in local programs – master coaches struggling with facilitating the initiative in their programs with colleagues

- Ideas to include in guide – help with staff struggling with bringing therapists on board, buy-in, get them to involve parents and meet parents where they are; should include info about leading a group, sharing/training colleagues
- Adult learning online course & mentoring
 - Will be offering a new learning opportunity in the Spring: 6 week, online short course in using adult learning principles during EI. Some learners will receive mentoring via phone or online after course. More info to come.
- EI Institute – Keynote & Master Coaches’ Institute
 - Required to submit videos
 - Master Coaches will submit a video of themselves coaching someone else (family, colleague). Videos will be built into Institute sessions as examples, for reflection, etc.
 - Repeatedly hearing from coaches that they need to see videos of coaching practices so we hope that this effort will help build a video library to support this initiative.

5. Other business

- Requested assistance with securing more photos of children and families that reflect diversity and show children with more visible disabilities.
 - Pam, Adele, and Patty offered to assist.
 - Cori will send VCU release of info for minors and adults.