### Integrated Training Collaborative Meeting Minutes April 19, 2011

#### Members Present:

Nancy Bailey Jen Barnes-Maddox Lynne Blythe Deana Buck Carol Burke Dana Childress Cathy Cook Heidi Faustini Cori Hill Jane Stuart Beth Tolley Mary Voorhees Lynn Wiley

- 1. Welcome, Announcements, and Celebrations-Members introduced themselves.
  - Mary announced that VA has revived a committee to work on blended licensure which would be a birth-five license.
  - Nancy announced that she and Bonnie Grifa from the Part C office presented on VA's infant mental health initiatives at the Head Start Conference in Abingdon. The presentation went well.
  - Heidi announced that the ARC will hold its annual conference at VA Beach August 11-13. The call for papers is now out and available at: http://www.thearcofva.org/docs/2011 state conv prop.pdf
  - Lynn reminded everyone of the Shining Stars conference which will be held July 18-20 at VA Beach. For more details and registration, please visit: www.regonline.com/shiningstars2011
  - The International DEC conference is scheduled for November 17-19 at the Gaylord Hotel in Maryland. Virginia is hosting this event and VA DEC members who agree to volunteer during the conference receive a significantly reduced registration fee. To volunteer, please email Sandy Wilberger at VCU TTAC at <u>slwilber@vcu.edu</u> to obtain a volunteer form.

## 2. Interagency Updates

- A. Infant Child Mental Health Committee (ICMHC)-As Nancy reported the ICMHC has been providing some conference sessions to update providers and agencies across the Commonwealth. The first cohort of endorsement candidates has been selected and will soon begin the process. There will also be a Center for Social Emotional Foundations of Early Learning (CSEFEL) train the training event in the fall provided by Rob Corso. More details will follow as plans progress.
- **B. CoPA-**All of the autism materials have now been placed on the web portal. There is discussion about <u>possibly</u> holding the second annual CoPA at the Beach but no plans have been finalized. Local CoPAs continue to meet with some groups meeting very actively and others with much less success.
- **C. SpecialQuest-**There will be a second train the trainer session for SQ on May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> in Staunton. Two year community colleges are playing a big role in the SQ network.
- **D. Center for Early Literacy Learning (CELL)**-This is a grant through the Orlena Puckett Institute in NC. They have offered to collaborate with VA, possibly offering a train the trainer event in Fairfax. They may also provide one of the Talks on Tuesday.
- **E. Assistive Technology**-Deana reported that she needs to pull together a small group in collaboration with the TTACs.

## 3. ITC Current Work

- A. Review of Current PD Work-Updates to Portal-We have added a new feature to the monthly TA Update to include new updates to the portal. Materials are being added very frequently. There is now a new IFSP mini-lesson and landing pads have been added for deafness and hard of hearing. A landing pad for prematurity is being developed. Three modules are in the final stages of development including: 1) IFSP 101, 2) Autism in Infants and Toddlers, and 3) Social Emotional Development. There is some discussion about possibly developing something on Rights and Procedural Safeguards. Check the portal frequently for new information and resources: www.eipd.vcu.edu
- **B. Kaleidoscope-** The training team has provided MANY KI and KII trainings this year in an attempt to "catch up" those SCs who had not completed these requirements. By the end of this contract year, we will have provided 3 KIs and 3KIIs across the state. We now have the capacity to use data to determine need, location, etc. Current data shows that there are 331 SCs enrolled in VA. 86% have completed both KI and KII, 10% need KII only, and 3% need both. It is our hope that soon we will move back to provided KI and KII for the SCs for whom it was intended (new providers with 6 months or less experience.)
- **C. Faculty Retreat**-A Faculty Retreat was held February 28<sup>th</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup> for two and four year ECE and ECSE faculty. Rob Corso provided the training which included embedding materials from CSEFEL and SQ into current coursework. Approximately thirty faculty members attended and the event was well received.
- D. LSM/Part C Staff Meetings-Facilitated meetings were held earlier this spring; first with the LSMs, then with Part C staff, and finally a combined meeting of both groups. A key focus was to explore collaboration and the current climate following the large changes brought about by the System Transformation. The meetings were well attended with good involvement and discussion. Groups were formed to focus on critical issues and a work plan will be developed.

### 4. New Work

- A. El SC Target Case Management (TCM) Training-There will be new changes for Part C service coordination that will go into effect 10/1/11. Beth Tolley and Jeff Baird from DMAS are leading a subcommittee looking at changes in documentation. Deana and Cori are leading a subcommittee looking at educational requirements, KSAs (knowledge, skills, and abilities required to provide EI TCM), and certification. There will be a new test required for all SCs and KI and KII must be completed within one year of hire. Notes for these subcommittees are available on the Part C website under "Meeting Summaries."
- **B. Prematurity-**In collaboration with the Prematurity Work Group, we have added several additional projects or products to be completed including a prematurity landing pad, prematurity module and a prematurity mini-lesson. Jen agreed to talk with Norma Dobbins at KCRC about potential videos that we might access.

**C. Hearing-**In collaboration with the Early Detection Hearing Improvement (EDHI) work group, work is underway to develop two online learning modules.

5. New Grant for Next Year/Other Business-grant has been submitted but has not been signed yet.

Next meeting will be in July. Cori will send a meeting wizard to schedule.

# Thank you for your continued interest and support of the ITC!