

## HBAH 2.0 Advocacy Team

April 3, 2023 at 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM, EDT

Join Zoom Meeting

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### Members

Akron: Denise, Shaleeta

BPA: Barb (cannot attend)

Cincy: Lauren

COHHIO: Amy, Gina, Douglas, Shayna, Kyla

Columbus: Maureen, Rachael

CareSource: Maura

Dayton: Sarah

### Agenda:

- 1) Welcome & agenda review
  - a) Intro new HBAH project coordinator – Kyla
    - Attendees introduced themselves with role and city.
- 2) Debrief on March 27<sup>th</sup> Ohio Legislative Children’s Caucus presentation & discuss follow up
  - Amy R: Not the first time we have presented to the Caucus, 3<sup>rd</sup> time. This meeting was the most engaged, a lot of questions. We have not had vocal opposition to the budget. Did not receive oppositional questions during the Caucus. Need to get some materials out to the community of easy first steps to set the table, what can other communities do to start having these conversations.
  - Maureen S: Feels the Caucus went very well.
  - Sarah H: Overwhelming request for replication in the Caucus chat.
  - Gina W: Great to see Senator Sykes vocal and engaged. He asked a question about using women as research subjects, this is a question we should be prepared to answer moving forward.
- 3) Update from COHHIO advocacy team & discuss next steps
  - a) Expansion gap-

Amy R: We received word from the department of health, they are in the process of solidifying the gap funds. We should hear from them soon. This

would just be an amendment to our current ask. Seems to be moving forward, but we're not certain of the time.

b) Expansion-

Amy R: As far as the budget, we are not getting push back, we remain on the books, we have a lot of champions. Rep. White is our strongest advocate, and she is not giving up. If you have the ability to reach out to her please do.

Gina: People have asked why we would not wait until the budget, now we are here. We are not seeing a ton of opposition. We have house members who are supportive. The Democrats have a significant presence now, which is a change historically.

Amy and Gina continue to meet with legislators. Need to work with the Democrats, they have the leverage. Technically committees are on break right now. The State House is closed on Monday, they will reopen on Tuesday but not holding any meetings.

4) Confirm upcoming meeting schedule – see below.

### Upcoming meetings

- 4/17 @11:30AM
- 5/1 @11:30AM
- 5/15 @11:30AM