



Healthy Beginnings at Home State Meeting Notes

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In Attendance

- Chelsea Buckwalter - Director of Housing Policy, Ohio Housing Finance Agency
- Samantha (Sam) Makowski – Planning & Policy Manager, Ohio Housing Finance Agency
- Alicia Leatherman - Public Health Policy Advisor, Bureau of Maternal Child and Family Health, Ohio Department of Health
- Barbra Poppe and Associates- HBAH Lead Consultant
- Danielle Tong- Executive Director, CelebrateOne Columbus
- Amy Riegel – Executive Director, COHHIO
- Shayna Bryant – Project Manager, COHHIO
- Kyla Holtsberry- Project Coordinator, COHHIO
- Rachael Jones – Project Manager, Celebrate One
- Sarah Taylor- HBAH Director, GDAHA
- Bridget Lacy – HBAH Director United Way Summit Medina
- Sara Haig - ODH
- Nicole Helton – Celebrate One
- Brandy Kolattukudy – State of Ohio
- Anna Star - ODH

Agenda:

1. Introductions- COHHIO
2. Changes to agenda - none
3. Cross-site implementation update – COHHIO
 - a. Barb – We have 5 communities interested in participating in HBAH 2.2. We are working on developing refinements to the model to increase effectiveness from what we've learned so far. 2.2 Sites are firming up partnerships to be ready to submit qualifications for 2.2. Rachael Jones is leading the effort to transition participants from Home For Families (HFF) to Physician Care Connection (PCC).

2.2 Expansion sites

- Cleveland
- Columbus
- Cincinnati
- Dayton
- Akron

- Funding implications (2.2)
 - Amy Riegel – Funding for 2.2 - We worked hard to secure funding through the state, but the funding was decreased in the senate to 2.5 million dollars. These dollars are being allocated via a new department, the Department of Children and Youth, who are working to bring that money to the project quickly. A conservative budget would still put us at needing to raise another 7.5 million. This is outside of the match money from the sites. We are working to shift into fundraising with non-government money sources to help fill this gap. Healthy Beginnings at Home is included in HB 7, this does not include funding, but the support could help us in getting more Government funding moving forward. At this time we cannot comment on timeline for 2.2, but working diligently at this time in hopes to have more answers in the coming weeks.
 - Alicia Leatherman – It will be important to articulate what the state funding is going for as you transition from 2.0 to 2.2. Need to be sure to work to stabilize original sites.

- 2.1 Current sites
 - Columbus/Franklin update: CelebrateOne
 - Rachael Jones - 29 participants, 4 pending housing placements (1 just passed a housing assessment so it could be 3), 27 babies born.

 - Akron/Summit update - SCHED
 - Bridget Lacy – 14 current participants, Akron has an eligibility appointment today for a possible 15th. The most significant struggle for Akron currently is the housing market and housing expenses. We are looking to update the screening tool to be sure this captures who is actually eligible for the program more efficiently. Currently in the process of interviewing a new HSS, and will briefly pause enrollment until secured.

4. Research and & evaluation update COHHIO

- Impact of Columbus 2.1 changes on the HBAH Research

- Columbus (HFF) is no longer enrolling new participants and are removing themselves from the research phase. Participants will be transitioned to work with PCC to continue receiving HBAH program intervention. The PCC contract was just approved by City Council, so now PCC can start their hiring process.
- Barb - All of these changes went through ODH IRB and have been approved and overseen by HPIO. Barb also noted that 2.2 will include Medicaid claims analysis from the beginning and 2.1 will be modified to include MCA. This was not included in the initial IRB request for 2.1, however will be included for 2.2.
- Research Partner transition
 - Shayna - HPIO is transitioning out of the project. Amy Stevens is leaving HPIO, and the project is too large for HPIO at this time. COHHIO has been looking into other research partners to take on this work.
 - Amy – We have had promising conversations with Case Western Reserve to possibly take on the research. We will need to confirm their price can be absorbed into our new budget before we can confirm.

Next Meeting is October 12th, 2023, at 11am