

**WAUPACA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
B-3 EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM (B-3 EIP) CHILDREN'S COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM
(C-COP) ADVISORY COMMITTEE
March 7, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Linda Kirchner called the meeting to order at 5:08 pm and gave the opening meeting statement.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Nicole Lauritzen, Linda Kirchner, Leah Wojnowiak, Dr. Steven Goedderz, Thiago Souza, Shawna Hansen, Flonnie Pliska

Members Absent: Susan Otterson, Susan Johnson, Eileen Lamm, Steve Wowzynski, Jeanne Gehrke

Staff Present: Hannah Lamers

REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA: Motion made by Nicole Lauritzen, seconded by Flonnie Pliska to approve the agenda. Motion carried without a negative vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Leah Wojnowiak, seconded by Thiago Souza to approve the minutes from the December 6, 2018 meeting. Motion carried without a negative vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CHILDREN'S COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM:

Introductions: Everyone introduced themselves.

Hannah Lamers reviewed the following information:

Staff Update: Lisa Molencupp started as a CLTS Waivers Case Manager on December 10. She has worked through completing her training and is starting to enroll children off of the waitlist.

Current Program Update: In January 2018 we had 28 children on the waitlist. We currently have three children on the waitlist who will be enrolled in March and two more children will be enrolled in April. Hopefully now when a child is referred they will be served and won't be put on a waitlist. The State requires us to have contact with the family within 10 days of the initial referral. Eligibility is determined within 45 days of the initial referral and a plan is written within 60 days of the initial referral.

2018 CCOP Final Budget Numbers:

\$186,744.00 2018 total

\$86,491.00 for straight CCOP funding

\$71,815.60 was spent

\$14,675.40 remaining will be requested to go towards fiscal costs for the reconciliation process

\$87,435.00 for CLTS match funding

We don't have final numbers yet until the reconciliation process is completed in April, 2019

\$12,818.00 for administrative costs

What exactly is the money spent on for children utilizing CCOP funding?

In 2018 CCOP purchased a positioning feeding chair for a child who has cerebral palsy and does not have the trunk control to sit upright while eating. Previously the family was using a high chair, the child has out grown the high chair and can no longer fit in the straps to hold her upright. The case manager noticed at the home visit the child was leaning over while eating and recommended a referral to Walking and Wheeling to be evaluated.

In 2018, CCOP purchased wheelchair mounts for a child who is non-verbal and uses a communication book. The mounts are to position the communication book so the child does not have to hold the book. They will also be used for this child's communication buttons, which CCOP purchased in 2017 and this child is now understanding how to use them more appropriately.

In 2018 CCOP purchased numerous sensory items for children to help keep them regulated. These include: swings, compression clothing, chew toys, specialized lighting and weighted blankets.

In 2018 CCOP purchased an adaptive trike for a child who has spina bifida and as a result of the spina bifida has muscle weakness, low muscle tone and poor balance. The child was unable to ride a bike with friends and siblings. The adaptive trike has straps to keep the child's feet on the pedals and the child is then able to pedal the trike independently. The trike also keeps the child balanced and more secure versus a regular bike with training wheels.

There have also been numerous other purchases including: wipes for children who receive diapers paid for through J&B but wipes are not covered in the State of Wisconsin, conferences, camps, door alarms, bus passes, specialized food, etc.

We do work with the schools on referrals. Items purchased are for use at home and not at school. Some equipment is reused if the family gives the equipment back. The equipment is very personalized and does not always adapt to another child. It is helpful for a child to try out equipment before it is purchased.

2019 CCOP Plan: Our CCOP Plan for 2019 was approved by the State. \$186,744.00 was allocated to be utilized for straight CCOP and CLTS match. To date in 2019 we have spent \$4,104.10 of straight CCOP funding. Our goal in 2019 is to continue to meet the children on our caseloads needs as well as move through our waitlist so we can reach the ultimate goal of eliminating our waitlist.

B-3 EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM: 2018 year end totals were not yet available. Nicole Lauritzen reviewed the following information:

QUARTERLY DATA (10/1/18 through 12/31/18)

Number of Referrals: 43

Of the 43 referrals there were 2 CAPTA referrals

9-Eligible and accepted services

7-Lost to Follow-up

0-Transfer to different county (child moved after initial referral)

8-Screen only

6-Family denied a screen or an evaluation

0-Screen being done by Healthy Beginnings/Referral to incorrect program

0-Already receiving services

0-Child was over 3 years of age

6-Still in the process of screening or evaluation-IFSP

4-Did not qualify

0-Eligible but denied services

0-Referred to school-was close to three years old

1-Referred to wrong county, forwarded the referral

1-Transfer from another county

0-Outpatient services chosen

1-Eligible/Hold on services, family reason

0-Eligible but turned 3 before services were opened

0-Referred to outpatient specialist

Program Updates: The State requirement in 2019 will be to focus on ongoing assessment and facilitating social emotional development and the affection area. This will focus on how a parent is facilitating these areas and how we can support these areas through coaching.

A county initiative through the consortium is to increase funding. We haven't received any increase from the State for several years.

We just finished one Book Club and will be starting another on emotion coaching.

Staff Updates: Allison Halada left, Marissa Parks is the new Speech Therapist. Tara McPeak is the Occupational Therapist. Our Early Intervention Specialists are Kris Olsen, Sarah Cogar and Kris Olsen.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting will be held Thursday, June 20 at 5:00 pm in Room 1037 on the first floor of the Waupaca County Courthouse.

ADJOURN: Flonnie Pliska made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Leah Wojnowiak. Motion carried without a negative vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 pm.

Submitted by,

Beth A. Hintz, Program Assistant

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