



Project LAUNCH

“Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children’s Health”

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Chi Mno Penojewen Task Force Meeting

(“Central Young Child Wellness Council” to SAMHSA)

Huron Band’s Northern Health Clinic, 311 State St., Grand Rapids, MI

Tuesday, July 16, 2013, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Minutes

Present:

Gun Lake:

Heather Bush, Youth Language Specialist
Marci McDonald, Parent
Carolyn Bush, YCW Coordinator
John Bush, Tribal Elder

Huron Band:

Rosalind Johnston, Health Director
Meg Fairchild, Behavioral Health and Social Services Manager
Scott Ryder, Tribal Court Administrator
Denise Ryder, Membership Services Manager
Camie Castaneda, Membership Services Administrative Assistant and Parent
Martin Robinson, Community Resources Coordinator
Val Janowski, LAUNCH Grant Manager

Pokagon Band:

Mark Pompey, Director, Social Services
JT Laraway, YCW Coordinator

Other Agency:

Lin Dann, Michigan LAUNCH Project Director/YCW Expert

1. Input requested on following items:

- i. Val shared that the Consortium’s technical assistance team provided by SAMHSA has recommended that all four Task Forces adopt a common agenda, abbreviated minutes and attendance tracking meetings. Extended discussion centered on a concern by Pokagon and Gun Lake Young Child Wellness Coordinators that sharing of attendance and abbreviated minutes would compromise confidentiality and discourage participation.
- ii. It was agreed to recommend the sharing with the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan (ITC-MI) and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF) certain non-confidential forms and reports such as Environmental Scan. All 12 of Michigan’s federally recognized tribes participate in the collaborative grant, “Honoring Our Children” (HOC) through ITC-MI and funded by WKKF. HOC shares many of the same goals as the Consortium’s LAUNCH initiative and the sharing of reports would be a valuable support to the HOC initiative.

2. Updates:

1. Native-specific LAUNCH Logo Design contest – few entries have been received
2. Data Sharing Agreement, MOU between Consortium-member Tribes, Strategic Plan and Evaluation Plan are all being worked on. The process of working with three sovereign tribes is time-consuming.

3. Lin Dann, Project Director, Michigan LAUNCH, shared the State’s experience with Mental Health Consultation. She told how complicated, but also how beneficial MHC to families.