

HVSA PAT PBC Working Group Notes -- Thursday, January 14, 2021

Meeting Objectives:

- *Learn and reflect on the preliminary home visitor survey and focus group findings*
- *Provide input on caregiver survey process and timeline*

Participants:

- *PAT Leaders: Nancy Donato, Jennifer Hooper, Kristi Jewell, Courtney Jiles, Erin Lee, Samantha Masters, Mary McCracken, Elizabeth Moore, Elizabeth Morgan, Aurora Pena Torres, Trissa Schiffner, Erin Schreiber, Katie Stover, Alacia Thornton, Dianne Trevino, Katie Turgeon, Kristen Williams, Ryanne Zielinski*
 - *State team: Susan Botarelli, Izumi Chihara, Jage Curl, Minnette Mason, Cassie Morley, Valerie Stegemoeller, Kathy Tan, Rene Toolson, Ivon Urquilla, Marissa Williams*
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I. Introduction, Check-In and Purpose

- *The intent of the meeting was to hear the preliminary findings from the home visitor survey, learn from those findings and reflect on their generalizability across programs and beyond the Covid-19 pandemic. It addition, it was hoped that participants would offer input on the process and timeline for implementation of the Caregiver survey.*
- *People shared some amazing breakfast ideas!*
- *The PBC timeline was adjusted and expanded to accommodate the challenges we are facing from the pandemic. We hope to continue with engagement through February and identify a precise outcome in the next few months, informed by home visitors and participants. It is likely that piloting measurement tools will be extended into the next contract year.*
- *At the agency level, a higher percentage of programs across the agency are implementing PBC; the agency has now developed a dashboard to communicate progress on milestones.*

II. Home Visitor Survey and Focus Groups:

- *Susan Botarelli, a graduate student at UW School of Public Health, performed analysis on both the focus group conversations and the home visitor surveys that occurred this Fall. Preliminary findings from these home visitor engagement activities were presented during the meeting; detail is provided in the meeting slide deck. Topics included why parents participate in PAT, what home visitors think are the most important impacts of PAT, and specific activities that parent educators conduct that influences parent-child interactions and caregiver well-being.*
- *Small Group Reflections: the large group divided into 3 smaller groups and reflected on the data provided; with the following summary:*
 - *There is resonance amongst this group with the findings presented, particularly with the importance of the relationship, flexibility, interactions, and meeting the family where they are at. The program is also addressing isolation.*

III. Caregiver Survey Update and Discussion

- *Progress Update: The caregiver survey has been drafted and edited with input from the parent engagement colleagues at the Early Support for Infants and Toddlers program. Rene also has piloted the English version of the survey with two separate participating parents from CYS, and will pilot the Spanish version with a family from Catholic Charities. Once the piloting is completed, it will be sent out to programs both as electronic and paper format surveys.*
- *There were two polls focusing on capacity of programs to seek 10 completed surveys from participants per site.*
 - *Poll respondents indicated that the majority (79%, or 11) of participants had the capacity to move forward with the survey, while the remaining 4 programs were either not sure or unable to move forward.*
 - *When asked how long they needed to facilitate engagement, only 14 participants responded, with 6 (43%) indicating 4 weeks, 6 (43%) indicating 3 weeks, and 2 people not sure.*
- *Small groups convened to discuss how COVID-19 might be impacting families' responses to surveys and whether their responses would be generalizable in the future when the pandemic is in our rear view mirror. The rich conversations indicated that while the pandemic is influencing families considerably, the responses now would still be valid. The group was generally very interested in learning parents' views from the survey.*
- *Next steps: based on the input from the group, we will be moving forward with the caregiver survey, giving programs the option to not participate if the capacity isn't there. Rene will be communicating with program supervisors in the next few weeks with the process instructions.*

Thank You!