



Spark NH Vision: All New Hampshire children and their families are healthy, learning, and thriving now and in the future.

Spark NH Mission: Provide leadership that promotes a comprehensive, coordinated, sustainable early childhood system that achieves positive outcomes for young children and families, investing in a solid future for the Granite State.

Spark NH Data Committee Meeting Summary

December 7, 2015

Early Childhood Data System Committee charge –facilitate the development and implementation of an integrated, cross-sector data system that connects early childhood data to the New Hampshire Department of Education’s longitudinal data system

Attendance: Liz Collins, Laura Milliken, Marti Ilg, Marj Droppa, Jennifer Sabin, Melissa Moore, Kim Firth, Valerie, Caitlin Jones

Review of Minutes from last meeting: There were no questions, no edits

Review Workplan:

- The Dashboard is listed under steps in the Coordinate and / or conduct a periodic needs assessment section
 - Added under 3A; 3; as 3-1, 3-2, 3-3 and 3-4
- Laura did add component about best practices regarding disparities and health equity but we couldn’t see it in the current version available. She will locate to share
 - Discussion about the prior discussion re: racial disparity and health equity
- Changes suggested for Family Engagement and involvement:
 - 9D -1 – Ensure Data Committee is seeking and including feedback from families in its work.
 - Continued discussion about the level (or lack thereof) with comfort with the language as written and ability to meet expectation. Laura clarified that the expectation is that the Data Committee continue to include family voice and whenever possible involvement but there is an understanding and recognition of the barriers experienced by the Committees
 - The Family Engagement Task Force does continue to work on facilitating this goal.
 - And local/regional initiatives are working on this effort as well.

- Question: Add goal under 9D stating something along the lines of : Actively facilitate information sharing regarding family and stakeholder input and feedback from local/regional early childhood initiatives.
- The group chose to think about what this language could be and review again at the next meeting.
- How can we measure collaborations/coordination across the system
- The group had some discussion about the work around shared measurements and Collective Impact as a framework. This is included under the Evaluation Committee.
- Review of other data products that have been discussed at this meeting, in the past, and wanted to make sure that this was not lost since it is not currently in the Workplan (i.e.: providing other data products such as infographics – not just the Dashboard).
- We will address timelines after we finish our work on the activities

Review of Committee Charge:

- The current charge addresses an integrated data system and connecting it to DOE longitudinal system
- A lot of the work of the Data committee has been to make data accessible. Does this group want to incorporate that into the Charge?
- There is nothing in the committee charge about work being done to tell the story about early childhood data that we do have available.
- The group does think that we want/need to maintain a goal about an integrated data system and add a component about making Data accessible and disaggregateable to different communities.

Indicators/WISDOM update:

- Work with WISDOM has been ongoing. The EFH had been working to attempt to hire some additional assistance to expand the efforts of the WISDOM vendor. This is currently stalled as the vendor is currently working to address some needs. The next step is that Kim, Peter and Laura will set up a meeting to plan for getting to the place where we can create a workplan.
- Request was made to have a list of just the indicators sent out to the Committee. Laura will check with Peter and then share with the group. Laura will also share the Framework with the group (it is not on the website yet).

Spark NH Framework for Action:

- This is about to be rolled out and includes an integrated data system as a goal. It will also include several communication efforts that align with our discussion about data products.
- They are hoping to have a Legislative luncheon, have an accompanying policy paper and the Framework. The official launch will coordinate with the Legislative Luncheon.

Next Meeting is January 4, 2015 2pm-4pm

Peter Antal did complete some key informant interviews re: impact of Spark NH and that information will be shared in the future.