



**BEST BEGINNINGS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELENA, MT  
November 7-8<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**Wednesday, November 7, 2102**

- 10:00 a.m.**            **Welcome and Introductions**  
*Debbie Hansen, Best Beginnings Coordinator*  
*Jamie Palagi, Human & Community Services Division Administrator*  
*Patty Butler, Early Childhood Services Bureau Chief*
- 10:30**                **Best Beginnings Community Council Year 2 Update**  
*Dianna Frick, MIECHV ID Grant Manager*
- 10:45**                **Highlights-Best Beginnings Local Community Councils**  
*-Erin Riggs: Flathead Best Beginnings Community Council*  
*-Lynette Petritz: Butte Best Beginnings Community Council*  
*-Kayla Gieseke: 123 Invest in Me, Ravalli Best Beginnings Council*  
*-Lavonne Blunt: Missoula Best Beginnings Community Council*  
*-Brenda Stockert: Eastern Montana-3 Best Beginnings Regional Council*  
*-Val Cundall: Greater Helena Early Childhood Coalition*  
*-Amy Cory: Greater Gallatin Early Childhood Community Council*
- 12:00**                **Lunch on your own**
- 1:15**                 **"5 Protective Factors Model"**  
*Family Support Committee,*  
*-Deborah Neuman, Executive Director, THRIVE*  
*-Sarah Corbally, Child & Family Services Administrator*
- 2:15**                 **Needs Assessment and Discussion**  
*Debbie Hansen, Best Beginnings Coordinator*  
*Jamie Palagi, Facilitator*
- 3:00**                 **Break**
- 3:15**                 **Needs Assessment and Discussion**
- 4:30**                 **Public Comment**
- 4:45**                 **Thank you.**  
*Meeting resumes Thursday at 8:30 a.m*



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| <b>8:30 a.m.</b> | <b>Welcome/Announcements</b><br><i>Debbie Hansen, Best Beginnings Coordinator</i> |
| <b>9:00</b>      | <b>Needs Assessment/Next Steps</b>  |
| <b>9:30</b>      | <b>Committee Work</b>   |
| <b>12:00</b>     | <b>Working Lunch</b>  |
| <b>1:00</b>      | <b>Full council: committee considerations</b>                                     |
| <b>3:00</b>      | <b>Public Comment</b>   |
| <b>3:15</b>      | <b>Meeting adjourned</b>  |

*Next Meeting is scheduled for January 9 – 10, 2013 at the Holiday Inn, Last Chance Gulch.*

**Public Comment** - in accordance with 2-3-103 (1), MCA, the Department will hold a public comment period. Please note that this is the public's opportunity to address the work of the Best Beginnings Advisory Council

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