



Best Beginnings State Advisory Council

March 15, 2018 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Radisson Colonial Hotel Helena, 2301 Colonial Drive, Helena

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Time	Agenda Item
<u>Business of the Council</u>	
Objective: Re-Orient members to the council while establishing our new structure.	
8:00AM - 8:30AM	Sign-In and Networking
8:30AM - 9:30AM	Welcome, Introduction and Council Updates <i>Sally Tilleman and Leslie Lee, BBAC Co-Coordinators</i> Mission Moment – <i>Kathy Rich, Head Start Collaboration Director</i>
<u>Information for the Council</u>	
Objective: Inform council about work within state agencies and stakeholders affecting the early childhood system.	
9:30AM - 10:15AM	Public Health and Safety Division <i>Kristen Rogers, Family and Community Health Bureau Chief</i>
10:15AM - 10:30AM	<i>Break</i>
10:30AM - 11:15AM	Human and Community Services Division – Child and Family Services Division <i>Jamie Palagi, Human and Community Services Division Administrator and Laura Smith, Deputy Director/Branch Manager</i>
11:15AM - 12:00PM	Preschool in Montana – <i>Siri Smillie, Governor’s Policy Advisor for Education</i>
12:00PM - 1:00PM	<i>Lunch Provided</i> Montana Comprehensive Literacy Project – <i>Terri Barclay, Literacy Program Manager</i>
<u>Work of the Council</u>	
Objective: Brainstorm the positive steps the state, community, and agency can take within a changing system by hearing about and providing information for the CCDF State Plan, preschool, and coalitions	
1:00PM - 2:15PM	CCDF State Plan – <i>Patty Butler, Early Childhood Services Bureau Chief</i> Small Group Discussion – <i>Jill Christensen, STARS Preschool, Early Education Specialist</i>
2:15PM - 3:00PM	Reports: Work Group activity Market Rate and Childcare Assistance: <i>Patty Butler, Early Childhood Services Bureau Chief</i> Family Engagement: <i>Darla Dexter, Young Child Wellness Expert</i> Infant Toddler: <i>Julie Bullard, U of M Professor of Early Childhood Education</i>
3:00PM - 3:15PM	<i>Break</i>
3:15PM - 4:00PM	Early Childhood Project – <i>Caitlin Jensen, MT Early Childhood Project Director</i>
4:00PM - 4:45PM	Work of the Coalitions in a Changing System – <i>Sara Corbally, Deb Halliday and Brie Oliver</i>
4:45PM - 5:00PM	Public Comment Closing Remarks – <i>Sally Tilleman and Leslie Lee</i>
5:00PM	Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings: BBAC will be convening as a council of the whole, at least once a year. Active workgroups will meet throughout the year in an advisory capacity and will report to the Council.