

Great Start Collaborative of Jackson County
Family Support Committee Meeting
February 13, 2020
1:00-2:00 P.M.
Jackson County Health Department



Present: Andrea McCabe, Masha Hills-Hoxie, Mary Kops, Jen Houston, Ben Thomas, Chrissy Blackwell, and Kelly Friedland

Welcome & Introductions

- Completed introductions and an inclusion activity.

Review December Minutes

- Question about what members of the birth to three team we are looking to see attend.

Updates

- Social Emotional posters have gone out to non-Henry Ford Allegiance pediatricians.
- Highfields and local therapists also have taken them.
- MOPS has used them to start conversations with experienced and newer parents.
- Health Department uses the poster in their interview rooms, Smiles of Wheels, WIC, and Immunizations.
- If you have any suggestions of locations with parents and families, please let Chrissy know. Suggestions included Friend the Court.

MCHAT Updates

- Maternal Child Health Action Team gathers to discuss the health of mothers and children in Jackson.
- Parents with concerned with being treated fairly and nonbiased.
- Wrote a grant to have OB providers and staff go through ACES training.
- Moms in Jackson don't understand of what postpartum care is and how it is important.

Birth – Five

- Improve prenatal care leading to healthy pregnancies and births is the first focus.
- Needs assessment Child Care is too expensive for families to afford even with subsidy.

Systems Scan Discussion

- Where do you go to find child development information? Answers are all over the board.
- Top three parent concerns: Child Care costs, behavioral issues, and finding free playgroups.

Membership Updates/Questions

- Countywide preschool fair April 17th will include a resource fair.
- Census education continuing.
- Highfields had an influx of intakes.