



Family Health & Resiliency Workgroup

Google Meets

May 26, 2022 | 2:00pm- 3:30pm

1. Welcome & Housekeeping

- a. Janica Husdon welcomed everyone for coming to the meeting and asked if anyone had community announcements.
- b. Community Announcements
 - i. Michelle Bowditch: Hall's Cross Roads ES Judy Center is applying for their 3 year renewal grant. The grant is due to MSDE on June 10th!

2. Priority Setting/Brainstorming

- a. Discussed racial and ethnic disparities with maternal health. The group last discussed the importance of concentrating on this issue. Janica also discussed some of the latest data.
- b. The group was in agreement to focus on the racial and ethnic disparities that affect maternal health.
 - i. Felicia Hopkins mentioned partnering with the Havre de Grace Rotary who is also focusing on this topic.
 - ii. Janica mentioned having a cohesive training for all-staff on this topic and the risk factors for pregnancy.
 - iii. Pamela Raccioppi mentioned that the group should also look into what barriers might be preventing women from seeking care.
 1. Create a focus group or survey
 - iv. Michelle Bowditch suggested looking at trainings training for staff on how to coach families on the impact of substance abuse and what they may expect to see in their baby, from an informational standpoint and was done by the University of Maryland. People may be afraid of the consequences.

1. The training was Substance Exposed Newborns training through UMBC
<https://homevisitingtraining.umbc.edu/curriculum/substance-exposed-newborns#:~:text=The%20Substance%20Exposed%20Newborns%20Training,new%20mothers%2C%20and%20their%20children.>
- v. From Pamela: <https://toxicshortfilm.com/purchase> The film and discussion guide are educational tools designed to foster local conversation and connection about the national infant mortality crisis.
- vi. Mary Jo Beach will send over trainings that have been done with COVID LINK (the contact tracing platform) on cultural humility that have been very informative.
- vii. Katie York agrees that it is important to get stakeholders involved in decision making/goal setting as early as possible.
- viii. The population health unit will work with the group to create the focus group.

3. Closing

Next Meeting: July 14th, 2022 from 2-3:30