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**AHSA Quarterly Meeting
Standing Committee Agenda & Meeting Minutes
Integrated Health & Safety Committee**

DATE OF MEETING 2/14/19 Time: 1:30-3:00 PM		LOCATION OF MEETING: DoubleTree by Hilton 2100 S. Priest Drive, Tempe 85282
COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Alice Haverland, Bari Nemeth, Carol Giddens, Carolyn Willmer, Connie Morrison, Gloria Valdivia, Jessica Varela, Josefina Mercado Chavez, Liz Hernandez, Luz Anderson, Marcia Archer, Margaret Velasco, Mariely Lopez, Martha Jimenez, Marya Olmos, Selina McCabe-Charley, Sonia Loya		
MEMBERS ABSENT: Ariana Rangel, Chrisanda DeBois, Jordan Bohrn, Marcela Zepeda, Melinda Hansen, Nicole Neal		
VISITORS: None		
NEXT QUARTERLY COMMITTEE MEETING: Date: May 16 th , with training on May 15 th . Location: TBD		
AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE/PRESENTER
I. Call to Order & Welcome	Welcome and introductions (one fun fact about ourselves)	Carolyn Willmer
II. Adoption of Agenda	Approval of agenda for today: Liz motioned, Carol seconded, no opposed.	Carolyn Willmer
III. Approval of Minutes	Approval of minutes 11/15/18: Connie motioned, Liz seconded, no opposed.	Carolyn Willmer
IV. Information: Eyes on Learning	Eyes on Learning has 3 workgroups now: policies, data, vision summit planning. The work group for policies is working on a legislative proposal to require vision screening for children (similar to the requirements for hearing screening).	Carolyn Willmer (on behalf of Chrisanda DeBois)

	<p>The data work group is still collecting data, and Chrisanda reports that the data collected so far show that many children referred after a vision screening aren't receiving follow-up. Chrisanda is collecting the data for Head Start, and requests that WACOG, Southwest, and CPLC submit data to her for their programs.</p> <p>The Vision Summit is scheduled for May 2nd at Midwestern University in Glendale. Pediatricians, AHCCCS, Nationwide, health plans, Head Start, and First Things First are among those to be invited. The workgroup has a draft agenda and will send out invitations once things are finalized.</p> <p>The goals of these workgroups is to improve vision screenings, ensure children are getting timely follow-up, and ensure resources for all children who need follow-up to the vision screenings. Hopefully, in a few years, all children will receive vision screening at their pediatrician's office with evidence-based equipment.</p>	
<p>V. Information: Brush Up on Oral Health</p>	<p>Julia Wacloff with AZDHS will provide an update in May on Brush Up on Oral Health, the Dental Hygiene Liaison Project, and the Dental Liaison Project.</p>	<p>Carolyn Willmer</p>
<p>VI. Committee Updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asthma Coalition: sends out info regarding webinars. • Lead Coalition: is March 6th, send invite to Carolyn. • Southwest Early Childhood Nutrition Team: Food Insecurity meeting to help problem-solve for Avondale area. Transportation is a barrier to get food from the food bank. Group discussed food insecurity and stress causing families to have difficulty making good decisions. Carolyn will send the info out to group. • State Hearing rules are now final. • School Readiness - no report • Oral Health Coalition - no report 	<p>All Members</p>



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<p>VII. AHSA goals for Health 2016-2021</p>	<p>See Handout: AHSA Integrated Health and Safety Committee Strategic Plan 2018-2019</p> <p>Connie received last year's PIR data from Moe. Connie and Carolyn will work on that part of the goals. Connie will email the AHCCCS Plan Contacts list to Carolyn to distribute. City of Phoenix hopes to be able to report to AHCCCS on missing elements of physical exam, once all children's information is entered into Child Plus.</p>	<p>Carolyn</p>
<p>VIII. Sharing</p>	<p>Selina reports there is a program called SHIFT which provides funds for low-income families for car repairs. Selina will send this information to Carolyn to distribute.</p> <p>Epi-pen shortage: Several committee members report families are still having difficulty getting epi-pens for their children. When doctors prescribe pediatric epi-pens, they usually prescribe one set (one for home, one for school). However, Child Care Licensing now requires children have 2 epipens at school, unless the doctor clearly indicates only one is needed. This creates a problem because there is a 30-day wait period to order a second set of epipens. Carolyn had previously been in contact with AHCCCS about this problem. Carolyn will send the group the contact information for Albert Rock at the state AHCCCS office, so committee members can contact him about individual cases. She will also contact Albert to let him know there is still ongoing overall difficulty.</p> <p>Catholic Charities is having their federal review next week; the committee wishes them well. The group briefly discussed reviews: past, present, and</p>	<p>All Members</p>

	<p>future.</p> <p>City of Phoenix is switching to Child Plus, and staff are excited about having a system with more accessible data. The City of Phoenix, with tremendous support from community partners, held the annual ACT Health Fair, with comprehensive services for children since 1991. Sadly, the last health fair was held in 2017. City of Phoenix will focus more on holding local events, due to the difficulty of getting families to come to one central location for the ACT Health Fair.</p> <p>The Arizona Immunization Conference will be held April 17-18 this year, Carolyn will send out information to the group.</p>	
IX. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 2:26	Carolyn Willmer