INTEGRATED HEALTH & SAFETY Committee

About us
Striving to promote health and school readiness; health literacy and advocacy for parents; sharing of knowledge and information and networking, to best meet the needs of enrolled families.

2023 Committee Goals:
- Identify Strengths and Weaknesses
- Expand committee members

What are we working on:
- Strategic Plan 21-16 (Year 2) Action Plan
- WIC MOU Renewal
- Building Relations

Next steps for our committee:
- Analyze data from Health Survey
- Follow Up on Weaknesses identified
- Find Vision and Feeding Therapist providers

Committee Leaders
Chair: Marcela Zepeda
Vice Chair: Marcia Archer, RD

Upcoming Meetings
AZ HSA - Integrated Health and Safety Committee Meeting
February 7th, 2023 @2:30pm

Contact
Want to join state level committee work?
- Email: azheadstart@outlook.com
DISABILITIES & MENTAL HEALTH Committee

Our committee unifies specialists across the state to promote awareness of Head Start for all children, including those with identified delays, disabilities, and social-emotional needs. We promote effective and appropriate inclusionary practices to improve services and outcomes for all children.

2023 Committee Goals:
- Increase awareness of services provided state-wide
- Increase recruitment/meet 10 percent requirement
- Analyze PIR data to identify strengths, needs, trends

What are we working on:
- Collecting PIR data
- Distributing new informational flyers

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Next steps for our committee:
- Look at data

Did You Know?

We collaborate with the Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP), the Arizona Department of Education Exceptional Student Services, and local school districts.
EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT Committee

About us
We work to support both the children within Arizona Head Start classrooms and the Head Start Workforce. Currently, we are working on goals with AZ Workforce Registry.

2023 Committee Goals:
- Up to date staff lists in AZ Registry
- Helping Programs learn about the scholarships and trainings offered by AZ Registry

What are we working on:
- AZ Registry Goals
- Collecting Data on current Head Start Workforce

Next steps for our committee:
- Creating next year's Action Plan
- Working with Grantees to support State data and National Data on Head Start and Early Childcare workforce.

Committee Leaders
Chair: Gretchen Bonkoske
Vice Chair: VACANT

Upcoming Meetings
Feb 15th @ 1:30pm via Zoom

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Committee PARENT, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

About us
We are dedicated to making community connections to strengthen our work with families & partners, and to further the awareness of Head Start & Early Head Start across the state.

2023 Committee Goals:
- Connections with DCS
- Family Engagement Strategies
- Connections with Community serving the Homeless Population
- Enrollment & Recruitment

What are we working on:
- Connections with DCS
- Family Engagement Strategies
- Enrollment & Recruitment for 23-23 school year

Next steps for our committee:
- Mtgs. with DCS Representatives
- Outreach to Homeless School Liaisons
- Scheduling Workshops with DES-SNAP/TANF/AHCCCS Programs

Committee Leaders
Chair: Sonya Montoya, NACOG Head Start
Vice Chair: Dulce Quevedo, Child Parent Centers

Upcoming Meetings
February 23rd
9:00am - 10:30am
Zoom

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