



Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) for Infants and Toddlers

Transition Committee Meeting
Friday, November 17, 2023 · 9:00 – 11:00 am

Attendance

Members

Kendra Benedict: Present
Stephanie Collier: Absent
Crystal Ghica: Present
Kyle Hammond: Absent
Jaymie Jacobs: Absent
Sandra Makrias: Present
Alexandra Oropeza: Absent
Suzanne Perry: Present
Sonia Samaniego: Present
Kristy Thornton: Present
Dr. Pilar Vargas: Absent
Camille Verdugo: Present
Amy White: Present

General Public

AzEIP Staff

Anissa Albert: Present
Annie Converse: Absent
Chantelle Curtis: Present
Lidia Gonzales: Absent

Mission Statement

The committee is committed to assisting the Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP) in reaching and maintaining 100% compliance with the timely and high quality transition of all children out of Part C services (early intervention) to Part B preschool and/or other community services, by providing support, guidance, and feedback on policies and procedures.

Agenda and Minutes

1. Call to Order: 9:05 am
2. Welcome and Introductions: Welcome, Amy White!
3. Read Public Member Notice
4. Minute Approval from 9/22/2023 meeting: Suzanne Perry motion to approve; Kendra Benedict seconded
 - Kendra Benedict: Aye
 - Stephanie Collier: Absent
 - Crystal Ghica: Aye
 - Kyle Hammond: Absent
 - Jaymie Jacobs: Absent
 - Sandra Makrias: Aye
 - Alexandra Oropeza: Absent
 - Suzanne Perry: Aye
 - Sonia Samaniego: Aye
 - Kristy Thornton: Aye
 - Dr. Pilar Vargas: Absent
 - Camille Verdugo: Aye
 - Amy White: Aye
5. Discussion Items/topics
 1. AzEIP Updates
 - a. Recent collaborative forums between AzEIP and ADE for Transition practices were very well attended and got very positive feedback, providers and school districts are seeing a difference in the collaborative efforts and feel things are going well. Transition Community of Practice will be starting in January or February to have opportunities to collaborate and brainstorm strategies to implement best practices. Email will be coming out with details.
 2. Member updates
 - a. EI/ESCE Summit:
 - i. Opportunity for professional development for those working with children 0-5
 - ii. 3 days this year: 2/28-3/1/2024, 8-4 each day
 - iii. \$45 cost
 - iv. Call for presentations and registration will be coming soon
 - v. ADE and AzEIP would like to see those working in the field submit proposals - there will be 15-20 slots for the early intervention day (February 29)
 - vi. First day to establish baselines of challenges we are facing in the field, level-setting
 - vii. Days 2 and 3 will be dedicated to solutions
 3. Breakout Groups

- a. Compliance will not meet, Alexandra will reach out to schedule next meeting
- b. Quality Practices
 - i. Transition Conference Script was finalized and will be turned over to ICC
 - ii. Transition Conference Agenda was finalized and will be turned over to ICC
 - iii. Group started a document with some ideas for projects after these are complete

6. Action/follow up: Stephanie/Chantelle will share documents with ICC to decide what to do next.

7. Public Comment: None

8. Confirm next meeting date/time: Stephanie or Chantelle will reach out once ICC dates for next year are confirmed

9. Adjourn: 10:54 am