



Meeting Highlights and Action Plan

Topic/ Presenter	Key Points	Action Items <i>Including Responsible Party/Timeline if applicable</i>
Attendance	AnnMarie Schmersal, CCCHD, Carolyn Young, Mercy Health, Emily Parsons, Project Woman, Marcy Ivory, REACH, Danielle Raines, Help Me Grow, Helaina LeCaptain, CCCHD, Leslie Crew, FCFC, Sandy Miller, CCCHD, Katlyn Rader, Mercy Health, Caroline Quelette, CCCHD, Amari Bradford, CCCHD, Liz Stevens, CCCHD, WIC, Nikki Stefanow, FYI, Sandra Taylor, PRC, Kelli Freeling, Amerihealth, Candace Myers, Champaign Co. WIC, Jeff Adkins, Amerihealth, Gracie Hemphill, CCCHD, Lori Lambert, Early Childhood, Vince Carter, Health Equity Coordinator	
Meeting start and stop time	3:00 pm, 4:00 pm	
Minutes approval	September minutes: Motion to approve- Nikki Stefanow, Second- Danielle Raines	
Mission and Vision and centering moment	One minute of silence taken for centering, wellness and focus.	
Introductions	Brief roundtable introductions, name and affiliated organization or Start Strong role. Please share any updates from your organizations related to the following goals: -Reduce cultural barriers to health care services -Reduce barriers to social/ health needs (SDOH) -Identify barriers to father engagement	

	<p>Leslie Crew reported the Health Equity Committee is working with Rocking Horse Community Health Center on a trauma assessment. She also reported Stephen Massey is completing a survey on smoking in a community apartment complex.</p> <p>AnnMarie Schmersal reported Social Services 101 occurred on 10/20/23. Commended Leslie Crew and United Way team on the organization of this event which was highly effective in increasing community awareness of available social services and resources.</p> <p>Carolyn Young reported Mercy Health has 3 full time positions approved to hire translators. She reported case management has moved a full-time person to the Birthing Center. She shared a brief overview of Faith Community Health ministries.</p> <p>Jeff Adkins and Kelly Freeling introduced themselves and their affiliated roles with Amerihealth Caritas, a new Medicaid MCO. A program for high-risk pregnancy is available. Jeff shared the availability of a mobile health unit which can provide dental, literacy and nutrition education.</p>	
<p>Breakout into subcommittees</p>	<p>Subcommittees work on plans outlined in Start Strong 2023-2025 strategic plan.</p> <p>Subcommittee #1 Preterm birth prevention and preconception and first trimester health promotion. Attendees: Emily Parsons, AnnMarie Schmersal, Marcy Ivory, Danielle Raines, Helaina LeCaptain, Caroline Quelette, Amari Bradford</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notes: Increasing awareness opportunities: RHC is having a resource fair regularly. This may be a great avenue to share additional community resources. Information on bathroom walls is read and this is an effective avenue for sharing information. Clark County public library has hired Katie Miller as a patron advocate, and she is available to assist with connecting patrons to needs M-F and has translator services. It would be helpful to have the Infant Mortality brochure translated into Haitian Creole and to outline cultural differences between Haiti and Springfield. - Teen pregnancy updates. Smoking and vaping during pregnancy is occurring. The school bathroom is a huge barrier and a place where significant peer pressure exists to participate in risky behavior. - Violence prevention. Project Woman is providing education for Erin’s law to some local schools and is willing to help other schools if needed. Erin’s Law is mandatory sexual violence prevention education and went into effect April 2023. 	<p>[] AnnMarie will connect with Amanda Ambrosio, RHC to inquire if Start Strong members can join in on the resource fair to share resources and information.</p> <p>[] AnnMarie will connect with Jenny Harrel and Candace Copeland regarding teen pregnancy and Erin’s Law</p> <p>[] AnnMarie will connect with Kim Creasap to investigate opportunity to connect Start Strong projects needing</p>

Subcommittee #2 Safe Sleep. Attendees: Lori Lambert, Leslie Crew, Sandy Miller, Sandy Taylor

Responses to Strategic plan goals and objectives:

- A) Funding issues to spend down grant @CCCHD & Auditor's office. Grant is through ODH and if it is not spent, money is lost...
 - a. CHF is providing interim funds to support ongoing purchases of car seats and packnplays
 - b. Crib distribution and sites – promoted at Social Services 101 10/20/23 and will be as well as Faith Ministry event on 11/7/23
 - c. Currently distributing in hospital, homes and any requests made from the community.
- B) B1 – asked Nate at CCCHD to post some Safe Sleep facts/resources to CCCHD website and will do so with Haitian radio station
B4 – Continuous training for new fathers through FYI and grads program –
- C) Accurate Data and death reviews. Team notes challenges to having all of the necessary information to complete a comprehensive review. There is an issue with the company that hospitals contract with to provide needed documentation and a perceived resistance to releasing needed documentation requested for moms and children. Incomplete documentation from participating agencies and members of the CFR team contributes to delays in closing cases.
- D) ..
- E) See B1

Subcommittee #3 : Breastfeeding. Attendees : Carolyn Young, Candace Myers, Katelyn Rader, Liz Stevens, Elise Brown, Jeffrey Adkins

Next step: Develop a survey with a QR code/link that can be socialized to multiple stakeholders in this space.

Locations: WIC Leverage Survey @ Front Desk, @Classes at SRMC, @Champaign County Health Department, @Birth Certificate Pick Up @ CCCHD, @ OB/GYN office

Text survey link

QR Code

No more than 10 Questions:

1. What county do you live in?
2. How are you planning to feed your baby? (Optional: Bottle Feed with Formula, Breast Feed, Pump

done to a student in need of a project.

[] Follow up on safe sleep training for new fathers through FYI and GRADs programs

[] Get some new father training numbers to gain understanding of how many are truly receiving education.

and bottle Feed, Breast & Formula Feed)

3. Have you breast fed before?

4. If you have breast fed, for how long? (in months)

5. Have you taken a prenatal or baby feeding class?

6. Are you aware of the benefits of breast feeding?

7. Are you interested in a support group or more education to help with feeding your baby?

8. What would be your best days and times?

9. Do you have any barriers to attending a support group or class?

10. Would you like for us to contact you about upcoming education or more information? (Yes/No)

Optional: Name:

Email:

Phone:

Door prize for survey respondents could be provided by AmeriHealth Caritas. (Jeff)

We likely need to develop a flyer with a QR code and a survey to collect this info.

Subcommittee #4: Fatherhood Engagement. Attendees: Nikki Stefanow, Vince Carter
Fatherhood Engagement Committee Meeting - October 23, 2023

Attending: Nikki Stefanow, Vince

Discussion:

- Add Dad's section to Start Strong website "Just For Dads"
 - Include links to websites that have dad materials (current collaborators)
 - Include a paragraph for each site explaining what is available for dads

- Develop new survey with link on Start Strong site to target current expectant fathers or new fathers
 - Previous survey didn't gain relevant information from these dads
 - Questions need more focus on what they know or how they are currently parenting
 - Started list of questions (following) to tie directly to Start Strong outcomes
 - Goal to implement Feb 2024

- Potential Survey Questions

- Include relationship status in demographics
- How many prenatal/postnatal appointments have you attended with your partner?
- How many prenatal classes did you attend before the birth of your child?
- Were you with your partner during the birth of your child?
- How many appointments do you attend with your child?
- How many parenting classes have you attended?
- How much time do you spend caring for your child?
- How often are you caring for your child by yourself?
- Do you understand the challenges of breastfeeding? How do you help with those challenges?
- Multiple choice - Safe Sleep environments, Feeding your baby, etc