

## **KIT Collaborative meeting notes**

### **July 7, 2010**

Members Present: Deb Barthlow, Lisa Carper, Monica Cogle, Caren Forestandi, Elizabeth Venosh, Teresa Warnick, Cindy Largent-Hill

**Service Array:** Melanie Swisher has requested that the RCDP be redone to address all issues identified in the assessment stage prior to KIT's attendance at a technical assistance training. This also precludes presentation of our plan at the July 26,27 meeting of the Service Array steering committee in Charleston. KIT members are invited to meet at the Daily Grind on Foxcroft Avenue at 1:30 PM. The community room has been reserved for our use. Lunch is available there, on your own.  
*Please review documents you will receive by the end of the month in preparation for the meeting.*

**Membership issues:** In an effort to boost membership in KIT, we came up with several strategies

- Implement a concentrated effort to relaunch KIT
- Offer food, speakers, CEU's
  - In order to get CEU's we'll need resumes of speakers, overview of the material being covered, evaluations and they must be open to the community
- Incorporate accountability opportunities regularly, focusing on situations, issues, events, barriers, rather than agencies. Instead of asking, "Does anyone have an issue with me or my agency?" focus on an event, situation or case, outlining the barriers that were encountered in "doing whatever it takes," and asking the question, "How can we deal with this in the future?"

Monica will continue to do reminders, Teresa will take notes, Deb will create the agenda. Caren will work on public relations.

**Suggested Trainings:**

- "Nurtured Heart" Parenting classes for professionals: 4-6 hour synopsis of the parenting classes provided to help professionals know what is being offered and how they might assist clients to use the information being provided in the classes
- Children's behavioral health diagnosis – how to work with medical professionals when you think there is a misdiagnosis
- Patient Advocacy – how to train parents to advocate for themselves and their children, including patient advocacy worksheets
- Consequences of domestic violence – try to get Joyce Yedlosky, Protective Services coordinator from WVCADV
- How to make the Multi-disciplinary team work for children and families.- a look at scheduling, inclusion and implementation of MDT's in Berkeley, and among CPS workers in Jefferson

**September meeting:**

Invite schools representatives to talk about how the new state laws regarding truancy, attendance and GED will affect families and children.

**Next meeting will be Wednesday, August 4, 1:30 PM at the Daily Grind,  
Foxcroft Ave. to work on Service Array, we need you!**