

Child Care Contribution Tax Credit Meeting Agenda

May 19, 2008

1:00-3:00

OCCRRN

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People Present: Terri Hansen, Sue Norton, Mary Nemmers, Sonja Svenson, Dawn Norris, Melissa Gritz, Bobbie Weber, Shiela Carter, Sonia Worcel, Tom Olsen, and Heidi McGowan.

Multnomah County Project

1. Update on project activities. Melissa shared she has begun to see improvements within the last six months. The family provider networks have request their monthly meetings to be trainings to help them move up on the Oregon Registry. Currently there are 9 RF providers in the treatment group and 7 RF providers in the control with two centers in both treatment and control group.
 2. Develop timeline and process for evaluation report. NPC proposed a timeline and content for the Year 1 report, which the group approved.
Multnomah County Year 1 Report Timeline:
 - All provider/parent data entered by June 1 will be included
 - Data cleaning & analysis will happen in June and be complete by July 3.
 - A draft should be done by 7/16 for CCD.
 - CCD to get comments back to us by 7/30.
 - We'll get a final version to CCD by 8/8.
1. Introduction
 - a. CCCF Program Description
 - b. CCCF Evaluation Purpose & Design
 - c. About This Report
 2. Project Implementation
 - a. Participant Recruitment
 - b. Program Activities for Providers
 - c. Parent Subsidies
 3. Baseline Facility Characteristics (CCCF and control)
 4. Baseline Provider Characteristics (CCCF and control)
 - a. Demographics
 - b. Experience & Training

- c. Confidence, Satisfaction, & Stress
 - d. Retention
 - e. Quality of Care
5. Baseline Family Characteristics (CCCF and control)
 - a. Parent Demographics
 - b. Income, Child Care Expenditures, & Financial Stress
 - c. Child Care Utilization
 - d. Parental Assessment of Child Care Quality
 6. Conclusions, recommendations, plans for Year 2

Lane County Project

3. Update on project activities

Terri shared some before and after pictures of provider's environments who have participated in the project. The project has seen improvement on the project level in quality, increase wages for providers and subsidies for parents. Three of the control sites have quit providing care and will not be replaced since the evaluation portion of the project is ending.
4. Develop timeline and process for evaluation report

NPC proposed a timeline and content for the Final report, which the group approved.

Lane County Final Report Timeline:

 - Data collected and entered by 6/12/08
 - Data cleaning & analysis done by 7/3/08
 - Draft to CCD by 7/15/08
 - Feedback back from CCD by 7/30/08
 - Final version to CCD by 8/8/08
 - Provider-friendly report by 9/15/08

Contents:

 - Introduction & evaluation design: describe 4 data points; visual of how many people we have at each data point & reasons for less than 4 data points
 - CCEP Implementation: cover all 3 years
 - Activities & expenditures
 - Provider & parent characteristics
 - Provider satisfaction

- CCEP Outcomes
 - Answer Research Questions 1-8 as we have in past years (comparing first and last data point)
 - Graph key outcomes over time by cohort
 - For parent data, can combine all 3 waves of surveys
- Discussion
 - Impact on parents
 - Impact on providers
 - Conclusions

5. Discuss next steps/changes for next year.

Discussion around how to look at the data we currently have and determine what provides the largest impact for children and families. Terri will provide the information to look at the new DHS subsidy rates and how it has affected the project's subsidy payments. There was a lot of discussion about what next year will look like for the Lane County project the group decided to meet again on May 30 from 9:30-12:00 at the Network office. The group is to read Year 1 & 2 reports with an eye to develop a model to provide the best intervention and stay within the parameters of the legislation and project. Some questions to answer are:

1. How small can the intervention get and still have an impact on quality, retention and stability?
2. Once the formal evaluation is complete how will we capture the performance measure?
3. Which intervention is the best to increase quality?
4. Is there a way to build a model in which private money would provide start up costs and the Contribution Tax money would provide program sustainability?

Next Meeting: May 30 from 9:30-12 at the Oregon Child Care Resource & Referral Office