

# Approved Minutes

Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Committee

Meeting information:

November 14, 2023

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Anchor Location: Multi-Agency State Office Building (MASOB)

195 North 1950 West, Room 3032, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Committee Members Present:

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| Fara Bitter      | Michelle Bunker | Jessica Carey  | Natalie Carter    |
| Eliza Hintze     | Todd Huffman    | Jeff Jackson   | Adrienne Johnson  |
| Stephanie Morgan | Karen Munoz     | Taunya Paxton  | Chrizzelle Ransom |
| Jordan Schramm   | Annette Stewart | David Sundwall | Lara Waite        |
| Karl White       | DeeDee Zaelit   | Erin Zinkhan   |                   |

Excused/Absent:

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| Kevin Baird             | Laurie Bishop      | Eric Christensen | Tricia Feik  |
| Charlene Frail-McGeever | Christopher Furner | Shelby Jimenez   | Sally Ormsby |
| Jillanne Vicory         |                    |                  |              |

Staff:

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| Krysta Badger  | Holley Ezzell  | Stephanie McVicar | Aubri Ogden  |
| Jenny Pedersen | Max Sidesinger | Ashleigh Sorenson | Shannon Wnek |
| Alexis Weight  |                |                   |              |

Guests:

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| Lacey - ASL Interpreter | Paula Pittman | David - ASL Interpreter |
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Minutes: Alexis Weight, Secretary

| Topic  | Discussion   |
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| Welcome  | Stephanie Morgan opened the meeting at 9:05 am and welcomed the Committee. Krysta Badger assisted in taking attendance.  |
| Approval of Minutes                            | The minutes from the August 8, 2023 meeting were reviewed.<br><i>Dr. Karl White made the motion to approve the minutes as written.</i><br><i>Adrienne Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</i>  |
| Public Comment                                 | No public comments   |
| Committee Member Changes                       | <p>Member term changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Morgan put forth a vote to extend Charlene Frail-McGeever’s term. All members voted unanimously to extend Ms. Frail-McGeever’s term.</li> <li>• Ms. Morgan reminded everyone that Taunya Paxton’s term expires in February 2024.</li> </ul> <p>Ms. Morgan and Ms. Paxton welcomed new committee members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Natalie Carter - Public Health Nurse</li> <li>• Jess Carey - Parent</li> <li>• Fara Bitter - Midwife</li> <li>• Aubri Ogden - Parent Consultant</li> </ul>  |
| EHDl* updates: CMV Conference Recap, HRSA NOFO | <p>Dr. McVicar provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recap of CMV Conference that occurred October 8–10, 2023, in Salt Lake City on the U of U campus in the SJ Quinney School of Law Building. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ It was a celebration of the first ten years of mandated legislation in the U.S. for testing for CMV, education, and screening.</li> <li>○ There were 230 attendees, 30 families, 33 states represented, several provinces in Canada, and some individuals from Australia &amp; Japan.</li> <li>○ There were 13 state EHDl coordinators in attendance, the most ever.</li> <li>○ Many authors, who were also parents of children affected by CMV, were in attendance to meet and speak with.</li> <li>○ There were several presentations from the State of Minnesota regarding the initial 6 months of data after enacting their universal screening in February 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Come Along on Minnesota’s Adventure through Congenital CMV Candyland</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Cranial Ultrasound Comparisons in Asymptomatic and Symptomatic Infants Identified in a Universal Congenital Cytomegalovirus Screening Study in Minnesota</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Newborn Screening Longitudinal Follow-up for Congenital CMV in Minnesota</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dr. Megan Pesch, President of the National CMV Foundation, gave a presentation, <a href="#">Autism spectrum disorder and Congenital CMV: More than just a coincidence</a>.</li> <li>○ Presentations from the conference are publicly available to view on the conference website: <a href="http://cmv.usu.edu">cmv.usu.edu</a></li> <li>● HRSA (Health Resources &amp; Services Administration) EHDl Grant             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The current HRSA project is 4 years, which expires March 31, 2024.</li> <li>○ EHDl recently applied for the next NOFO (notice of funding opportunity).</li> <li>○ If received, it will start April 1, 2024, and would be a 5-year project.</li> <li>○ The new HRSA project would include the same goals as the current one, with the additional overarching goal:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To enhance the EHDl system infrastructure to improve language acquisition for deaf and hard of hearing children up to age 3.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>● EHDl updates:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Will start accepting CHAP applications for children up to age 18.                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Requirements are the same – still financially-based, families must be within 300% of the federal poverty guidelines.</li> <li>▪ In contrast, our current program serves children younger than 6 years of age.</li> <li>▪ Eligible children can still only receive one hearing aid per ear.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ More information and applications can be found on our new EHDl, CMV, and CHAP websites:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="http://familyhealth.utah.gov/ehdi">familyhealth.utah.gov/ehdi</a></li> <li>▪ <a href="http://familyhealth.utah.gov/cmV">familyhealth.utah.gov/cmV</a></li> <li>▪ <a href="http://familyhealth.utah.gov/chap">familyhealth.utah.gov/chap</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> |                     |           |            |             |                   |                  |             |                   |                  |             |                     |                     |
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| <p><i>Baby Steps: Early Development of Language Skills</i> with Guest Speaker, Paula Pittman</p> | <p>Dr. McVicar introduced a guest speaker, Paula Pittman, who provided a presentation - <i>Baby Steps: Early Development of Language Skills</i>. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Early Language Development and Acquisition</li> <li>● Early Babbling</li> <li>● The Five Parameters of a Sign: Handshape, Movement, Location, Palm orientation, and non-manual markers (happening on the face &amp; body)</li> <li>● First Sounds and First Handshapes</li> <li>● Receptive &amp; Expressive Milestones during the first 3 years of life</li> <li>● Exponential Nature of Language</li> </ul> <table border="0" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Receptive</th> <th style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Expressive</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>○ 12 months</td> <td style="text-align: center;">10-20 signs/words</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1-10 signs/words</td> </tr> <tr> <td>○ 18 months</td> <td style="text-align: center;">65-75 signs/words</td> <td style="text-align: center;">7-30 signs/words</td> </tr> <tr> <td>○ 24 months</td> <td style="text-align: center;">250-300 signs/words</td> <td style="text-align: center;">150-200 signs/words</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>   |                     | Receptive | Expressive | ○ 12 months | 10-20 signs/words | 1-10 signs/words | ○ 18 months | 65-75 signs/words | 7-30 signs/words | ○ 24 months | 250-300 signs/words | 150-200 signs/words |
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|                | ○ 36 months   | 1500 signs/words | 600-1000 signs/words |
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| Parent updates | <p>Ms. Sorensen and Ms. Ogden provided parent updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Introduction to newest parent consultant, Aubri Ogden</li> <li>● About 60 families attended the Airplane Event in late September</li> <li>● 2023 Hands and Voices Conference in Grand Rapids, MI.</li> </ul> <p>Topics of particular interest included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Outreach in rural communities</li> <li>○ Deaf mentors and role models</li> <li>○ Family engagement</li> <li>○ Surveying culturally diverse families</li> <li>○ Outreach to DHH+ families</li> <li>○ Expanding social media</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Upcoming WebinEAR - Main purpose to inform families of what we do, to get more parents involved in our family support network, to help build the DHH community for our children, and to help parents to know who Ashley and Aubri are and what they do.</li> <li>● EHDI Parent Newsletter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Coming out around the beginning of December.</li> <li>○ Looking for Utah families to spotlight.</li> <li>○ Opportunities for families to get involved.</li> <li>○ ASL &amp; LSL spotlights.</li> <li>○ Holiday tips for DHH families traveling.</li> <li>○ Includes links to resources for families.</li> <li>○ Newsletter always includes contact and social media info.</li> <li>○ Reminder, the newsletter is also available in Spanish.</li> <li>○ Able to make phone calls for families in Spanish.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Upcoming - Currently in the planning stage of winter/spring activities. If anyone has contact info for indoor activities to help get a deal, please reach out to Ms. Sorensen or Ms. Ogden.</li> <li>● EHDI Parent Consultant Contact Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ashleigh Sorensen: 385-275-4916, <a href="mailto:ashleigh@utahparentcenter.org">ashleigh@utahparentcenter.org</a></li> <li>○ Aubri Ogden: 385-419-2156, <a href="mailto:aubri@utahparentcenter.org">aubri@utahparentcenter.org</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Flyers and magnets with contact info are also available for distribution.</p> |                  |                      |
| NCHAM updates  | <p>Dr. Karl White provided updates on NCHAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The 2024 EHDI conference will be held March 17-19 in Denver, CO</li> <li>● Launching a new podcast, <i>EarWorm – Dialogues on Hearing Health You Can't Stop Thinking About</i>. One episode per month is released and the entire podcast is free. <a href="http://earwormpodcast.org/">earwormpodcast.org/</a></li> <li>● Journal of Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (JEHDI) website. Access &amp; download articles by going to: <a href="http://jehdi.usu.edu">jehdi.usu.edu</a></li> </ul>   |                  |                      |

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| Future Agenda Items | No future agenda items                                       |
| Next Meeting        | February 13, 2024 at 9:00 am                                 |
| Adjourn             | Ms. Paxton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 am. |
| Minutes Approved    | February 13, 2024  |

*Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.*