

AzNN Early Childhood Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

DATE: March 3, 2016

LOCATIONS: iLinc

PRESENT:

| Organization | Name |
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| AzNN | Noelle Veilleux |
| Evaluation | |
| Apache Ext | |
| Cochise Ext | |
| Coconino HD | |
| Gila HD | |
| Graham Ext | |
| Greenlee Ext | |
| La Paz Ext | |
| Maricopa HD | Tina Wegner |
| Maricopa Ext | |
| Mohave HD | |
| Mohave Ext | |
| Navajo HD | |
| Navajo Ext | |
| Pima Ext | |
| Pinal Ext | Jen Parlin |
| Santa Cruz Ext | |
| Yavapai HD | Christina Montero |
| Yavapai Ext | |
| Yuma HD | Suzanne M. Cooper |

| Agenda Item | Details |
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| Family Style Dining Resource | <p>A new resource for implementation of family style meals in early care education settings was reviews. The link to the document is here. The Family Style Dining Guide is authored by Nemours in cooperation with the Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association. It is a very comprehensive guide that reviews if all aspects of FSM's – divided into sections: 'program ready' (equipment, menus, policies, etc.); 'adult ready' (staff role modeling and knowledge, etc.); and 'child ready' (practice mealtimes through play, skill assessments, feeding practices, etc.).</p> <p>The guide also includes a robust resource section for more information. This guide is an AZNN-approved resource. ADHS is working on adding it to the Obesity Prevention Resource Guide found which is found in the Policy and Procedure section under Collaborators on the AZNN website.</p> |
| Bringing in Outside Food Discussion | <p>Recent feedback that partners are being informed that policies in some child care settings prohibit bringing outside food into the classroom. This includes for the purpose of food demonstrations, food experiences, and other nutrition education</p> |

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| | <p>activities that incorporate food.</p> <p>The initial concern arose from a Head Start program. AzNN Nutritionist reached out to the Health Coordinator to clarify if this guidance is coming from a Head Start policy. After discussion it seemed this was a policy from Child-Parent Inc, and not Head Start exclusively.</p> <p>Among the committee, partners in Pima and Yavapai shared they have heard this guidance recently, from Head Starts as well. Partners in Yuma have not yet heard this particular concern from Head Starts in their area.</p> <p>Also to note: the documentation required from Child-Parent Inc to allow outside food asks for proof of liability coverage with language specific to covering foodborne illness. AzNN will need to have further discussion to learn the source of this seemingly new guidance and if there are opportunities for further discussion that may accommodate activities that support AzNN strategies.</p> |
| <p>AzNN Contractors Meeting</p> | <p>Confirmed some details of Conference: Date: May 4-5, 2016; Phoenix area ECE Breakout Sessions: ADHS Child Care Licensing ADE CACFP Overview ADHS Bonnie Williams UANN Evaluation</p> <p>Request for Volunteers for Subcommittee Roundabout</p> <p>In lieu of exhibits, AzNN would like to highlight the work of the subcommittees. During a 45 minute time slot, AzNN asks 2 volunteers from each subcommittee to represent their focus area with a table and a display of the subcommittee’s objectives and work so far.</p> <p>Jen Parlin agrees to volunteer for a portion of the 45 minute time slot.</p> <p>AzNN will send out the request to the entire ECE subcommittee to request an additional volunteer.</p> |
| <p>Other Issues</p> | <p>Requests for resource relating to the Empower Standards and PA in the ECE setting.</p> <p>Directed to -Empowerpack.org for examples of overview presentations, including the Active Play regional trainings.</p> |

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| | -AzNN Obesity Prevention Resource Guide |
| Next Meeting | April 7 th , 2016 |