



Johnson County Empowerment/Early Childhood Iowa Board Early Education Work Group Minutes

**Monday July 24, 2023
2:30-3:30pm**

Present: Emily O'Sheridan-Tabor, Patricia Zebrowski, Mary Lukas, Cheryl Collins, Michele Shaffer, Sara Glenn, Deb VanderGaast, Lorri Hora, Jill Cryer, Sam Turnbull

1. Introductions and program updates
 - a. Sam provided update about the HHS Service Delivery Assessment taking place this summer with recommendations coming out in October.
 - b. 4C's is expanding to server rural Johnson County providers with ARPA funds.
2. Be Smart Training (Mary Lukas)
 - a. Mary and Tricia presented the Be Smart Training from Moms Demand Action to End Gun Violence.
 - b. Group brainstormed how to get messaging to early education providers/parents.
 - i. Libraries can display flyers.
 - ii. Deb can send out information to providers.
 - c. Mary shared about state mandated programs: Eddie Eagle and Hunter's Education that are sponsored by the NRA.
3. EOY Reports
 - a. Deferred since not all EOY reports are in yet.
4. Infant & Toddler Scholarship Program
 - a. Provided update that program has rolled out and lots of funding is available.
5. School Readiness Summit Updates
 - a. Provided update that event is planned for Saturday November 4th.
6. Next Meetings: September 25 2:30-3:30pm

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