



Kansas Maternal & Child Health Council (KMCHC) Responses from April 5th, 2017 Meeting Parent Engagement—Next Steps

What will you do next as an individual/organization to improve parent and family engagement?

What should the council do next to improve parent and family engagement?

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In the next 6 months, we (I/T) will interview families about how “engaged” they feel in the process of initiating services as well as transitioning out of services & what would make them feel more involved.	Ask what will make them feel <u>more</u> engaged and <u>listen</u> . Think what we can do and not throw up barriers or why we can’t do something.
I am part of FAC & KMCHP and help others in Parent 2 Parent and my community	Support and help others with my experience
From a Medicaid perspective, this is harder. I wish I could hear from consumers directly but I do hear their concerns through public forums & advocacy groups. I try my best to hear and advocate for the issues that are presented.	
I currently integrate families and their integral role in the Zero to One project.	I think family engagement is a critical component in hardwiring and producing change that can be sustained
By January 2018, expand the MIECHV family engagement time to include more of MCH families	Make a purposeful effort to introduce myself to them and strike up conversations with them.
Conducting Parent Advocacy Training 4/13/17	Years 2 & 3 of KHSA-HEPI grant involve expanding Parent Grassroots Advocacy Training & Parent Leaders across KS.
May-September 2017: Observe MIECHV home visits onsite-invite KMCHC participation	Be available to visit about MCH topics of interest
What’s my goal? To increase community engagement. How I want it to happen? Grassroots organizations leading the work	How to support family members that are a part of the council? Strategize
In 6 months, speak to staff to find out if they have specific goals for engaging families and how to measure.	
Invite family to participate in staff meeting to provide perspective of school health this fall.	Engage KMCHC family reps in discussion specific to their experiences with services
I will engage families by being more involved with the FAC w/ this school health project (within 6 months)	I will support the family members by listening <u>actively</u> to their stories.
Family engagement within extension	1.Be attentive to information sharing, scaled appropriately, with PDCs in local extension offices/3-6 months. 2.Listen and remember!
Have teens/parents review policy letters, esp. transition practice.	Encourage conversation regarding barriers to access for adolescent health care.
We already have family engagement in our organization.	Have them work with us in the organization to give us their input.
In collaboration with MCH staff, work to document how MCH programs, policies, and practices have changed as a result of family/community engagement.	
By end of April 2017- *Attendees of the Gov. PH Conference have a knowledge and understanding of how they can/should involve families in the services they provide.	

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Conduct PRAMS focus groups among mothers to get input on incentives/rewards within 1 year.	To engage families in the MCH Council, PRAMS will include input from families/advocates on KMCHC, BaM parent advisory council. Report at the community level in areas of high rates of infant death, prematurity, and low birthweight.
I am getting at-risk families with developmental disabilities to provide care coordination. Data hopefully will provide info to support care coordination for families with special needs	Acknowledge, give opportunities, and support all contributions made by families
Consider a way to further incorporate parent input into MIECHV and ECCS impact	Include family KMCHC members in discussions
Create a family advisory board and hold the 1 st meeting by June 30 th , 2017.	Make sure they have space to be heard and their feedback is actively sought out.
	I will try to welcome parent involvement in our work group by staying present during discussion and make efforts to follow suggestions in Powerpoint. I am a professional and a parent too... <u>should be easy!</u> 😊