

Members Attending:

Michael Steinert, Co-Chair -FWISD
Debbie Fillmore-Keen – Tarrant County
Sudeepa Bhattacharya – Cook Children’s Hospital
Jan Finch – The Parenting Center
Kathy Jo Zeigler – Lena Pope Home
Jennifer Gilley –Tarrant Challenge
Kathy Dolan – Tarrant County Public Health
Lisa Benton – Community Solutions
Connie Winkle – The Women’s Center
Sean Allen- - MHMR
Mahie Gharaiishi - MHMR

• **Introductions...**

- Connie Winkle joins the committee as a representative from The Women’s Center

• **Old business**

- We discussed MHC efforts to develop a supportive, collaborative ‘research council’ (working title)....existing list of possible participants was presented, and other suggested:

- Michael Ellison...Texas Wesleyan
- Peter Lehmann/Emily Spence...UTA
- Maria Scannapieco...UTA
- Uma Rao...UTSW
- Kris Painter...TWU
- Diane Snow...UTA (nursing)
- Doug Henry...UNT
- Paul Ruggiere...UNT
- Vicki Nejteck.....UNTHSC
- David Cross....TCU
- DFPS/DSHS representative to help access County and State data (Jan Finch, Jennifer Gilley suggested)
- MHA, TCC, SMU, MHMR representative?
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• **Next Steps:**

- **Mike will follow up with Lee LeGrice and Wayne Carson regarding the development of a mission and vision for this group as well as the intersection of it with EBP efforts and forthcoming MHC Symposium. Community Solutions has generously offered the assistance of Lisa Benton in this effort.**

- ***Current grant awards, applications, requests for support letters***
- Lisa Benton – Community Solutions has received a supplemental SAMHSA grant for \$75,000 to assist with outreach Hispanic family outreach efforts. Community Solutions is also working with DPFS on a pilot to provide wraparound services to families in their system, families receiving TANF.
- Debbie Fillmore-Keen – Tarrant County has received BJA funding for 2 years in support of the Brief Strategic Family Therapy Project. Santa Fe Adolescent Services will be the contracted provider for this project.
- Jan Finch - The Parenting Center waiting for word from OJJDP for Selecting Success Program. Jan also reported that HHSC has expressed interest in funding the Healthy Marriage Program for HHSC Service Region 2.
- Sean Allen – MHMR is interested in collaborating with community partners to pursue to pursue NIMH R21 funding for 'Parenting Capacities and Healthy Outcomes'. The grant would provide \$275,000 over 2 years to look at parent support/education programs that integrate the children as well. We are hoping, as a community, to establish a stronger identity with NIMH for future funding opportunities.

- ***Announcements***
 - Lisa Benton - Community Solutions is considering applying for a second SAMHSA System of Care grant to provide supportive wraparound services to a younger population than those served through the current project. A discussion meeting will be held at City Public Health Department, 9/19/07 at 1:30 p.m., Room 116
 - Lisa Benton – Arlington Human Service Planners has filled the position vacated by Ashley Owens. Patty Wright will be joining the committee next month.

- ***Next Meeting***

Thursday October 11th, 2007

9:00am

MHMR north tower – 3rd floor conference room