

Building Bridges Action Plan- Missouri

Goal

Establish pediatric physician leadership in early brain and child development at the state level in order to develop and implement sustainable connections between health care professionals and the state's early childhood systems

Project Objectives:

Work with Mo AAP to ID pediatricians involved/ interested in early childhood systems

Work with early childhood systems to Identify opportunities to involve pediatricians

Invite/ involve pediatricians to state EC meetings such as ECCS/ RICC/ MHSA

Project Activities:

Present EBCD information to physicians local/ regional/ statewide

Potential forums:

- MU advocacy committee
- MO AAP leadership meeting
- ECCS Summit
- Childcare Aware
- Head start
- First Steps (Part C)
- Pediatric Grand rounds
- Project Launch Wellness council meeting
- Dinner associated in conjunction with early childhood meeting where physicians would be invited

Write article for Mo AAP peds lines including a survey for physicians

Provide names of interested pediatricians to state partners so they can be invited to some of the numerous early childhood state boards. Currently there is very limited physician involvement in any of our early childhood systems.

Initiatives/ Programs:

Early childhood advisory council/ ECCS/ MIECHV (all linked in our state)- met last week and will start attending quarterly meetings

Child care resource and referral- working on project currently

Missouri Head Start Association-involve MO AAP in health coalition/ COP

Mu Center for Family and Policy-need to set up meeting to discuss ways to partner.

Part C Program- Offer to present EBCD information over lunch at state meeting

Project Launch- Mo AAP pediatrician Dr Beucke is active this committee. Will connect with him re:EBCD information

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