The Kansas ICC
OR, COORDINATING COUNCIL ON EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES
Objectives for today

We will cover the following:

- Overview of the ICC
- A brief history of the Kansas ICC
- Review key work and membership of the SICC
- Future Plans and Goals
- LICC Panel Discussion/ Questions
Mission Statement

- The mission of the Kansas Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services is to ensure that a comprehensive service delivery system of integrated services is available in Kansas to all children with or at risk of developmental delays from birth through age five and their families.
Role of the SICC

This council is responsible for advising and assisting the Kansas governor and legislature on matters that impact Kansas families with children, ages birth to five who have, or are at risk for, developmental delays.
History

- In the 1970’s, Kansas had a federal grant for implementation of early intervention service
- A state-wide advisory body was part of this endeavor
More History

- In 1983 at the urgings of parents, Governor John Carlin created by Executive Order - a Governor’s Cabinet Sub-Committee
- “Beginnings” made 46 recommendations
1986

- In the Spring, the Kansas Legislature passed KSA 74-7801 et al.
- Later that Fall, the US Congress passed Public Law 99-457
Public Law 108-446
Section 641

- Federal Law – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
- Requires a State ICC
SICC Meetings

- Meeting dates are identified at the annual planning retreat (6-8 meetings a year)
- Meetings are generally held in Topeka, except for the annual meeting at the KDEC Conference
- A conference call line is always available for council members and guests
Membership

- Matthew Connell, SICC Chair
Governor’s Appointments: Parents

- Kate Walter, Beloit
- Elizabeth Brunscheen-Cartagena, Wichita
- Laci Reamer, Topeka
ICC Parent Job Description

- Provide family perspective to all proceedings
- Solicit input from other families (Family Voices Committee)
- Assist agencies to maintain family-centered approach
State Agency Membership

- Division for Children & Families – Kim Kennedy

- Kansas Part C Coordinator, Kansas Department of Health & Environment – Heather Staab

- Kansas State Department of Education- Natalie McClane
Other Members

- Governor’s representative – Mary Duncan, Past Chair
- Board of Regents – David Lindeman
- Commissioner of Insurance – Lisa Collette
- Families Together- Lesli Girard
- Provider Member- Alix Kumer
- Provider Member- Karen Pahls
ICC Coordinator Job Description

- Speaks for agency at LICCs
- Coordinate services at all levels
- Linkages to other programs: early education, disability, and others related
- Assess community needs and strengths
- Other tasks as assigned
Position Statements on legislation

- Kansas ICC Policy Statements: bills relating to services for children birth through five years of age with developmental disabilities

- List of Current legislation being tracked
Legislative Updates

- Much to my own disappointment, there are changes in SICC Staff involvement and the Legislature (can’t attend committee meetings)
Legislative Updates Cont.

- “We have to pass it first to find out what’s in it.”- Nancy Pelosi on the Healthcare Bill in 2010

(Handout)
Legislative Updates Cont.

- Any legislative related questions (State or Federal) feel free to contact me

- Kansas Legislature’s website: http://www.kslegislature.org/li/
Planning and Evaluation

- Annual Strategic Plan
- Annual Report
Kansas ICC Committees & Work Groups

- Inclusion Workgroup
- Executive Committee
- Family Voices
- State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR)
Kansas Early Childhood Programs – At a Glance

- Child Nutrition & Wellness
- Parents as Teachers
- Early Head Start
- Part C – tiny k
- Head Start
- Early Childhood Special Education
- 4 Year Old At Risk
- Kansas Preschool Program
- Migrant Family Literacy
- And many more!
SICC Website Resources

- Kansas Family Engagement and Partnership Standards for Early Childhood
- Learning More About IDEA: SPP/APRs
- Disability Awareness Interagency Coordinating Councils (ICCs): Resources from the Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center
- An Educator and Parent Primer on Special Education Acronyms, Abbreviations, and Definitions
The Kansas Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services is more commonly known as the SICC – the State Interagency Coordinating Council. This council is responsible for advising and assisting the Kansas governor and legislature on matters that impact Kansas families with children, ages birth to five who have, or are at risk for, developmental delays. Our bylaws require representation from state agencies, the Kansas Board of Regents, public members (a person who may have a vested interest in early childhood services, but is not necessarily a direct provider or services), provider members, and parents. For more information on the state statute that directs Council membership, please see Kansas Statute 74-7801.

The Council’s work is to discuss pertinent matters pertaining to our youngest Kansans, including legislative updates that may require our attention, new programs that our agency members may be working on, and the work of our committees and task forces.

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Quick Review and Questions

In summary, we have spent the last hour covering information pertaining to the State ICC. We have:

- Summarized the history of the Council
- Identified those in our membership on the Council
- Differentiated our role and responsibility as a Council
- Questions?
Future Plans and Goals

- Website Updates
- Membership Expansion
- LICC Involvement with meetings
- Online Survey
- Newsletter
- Data Collection/trends
Local ICCs

What Is a Local ICC?

Local Interagency Coordinating Councils, or LICCs, are comprised of community members with a vested interest in an interagency system of service provision for children birth to five and their families. LICCs are responsible for many things, from child find activities, to communication and collaboration among community partners on issues pertinent to the population they represent.
LICC Annual Survey and data

Four Parts:

1. Annual surveys are given to all LICCs in the Spring.

2. Surveys are typically 10-15 questions

3. Data is compiled and then reviewed by the SICC

4. Data is presented to LICCs during visits by the staff person
LICC Panel Discussion

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