

CHILD CARE HOME ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 28, 2015

Members Present: Sabrina Chase, Tammy Dunn, Noel Hanson, Christina Maxwell for Tamela Hunt, Rebecca Kenworthy, Coleen Land, Stephanie McKinstry, Jennifer Quartucci, Joey Scherschel

Others: Melanie Brizzi, Melissa Denney, Karen Teliha, and Debbie Sampson

Karen Teliha from IDEM talked about the 5 Star Program.

- no cost to provider
- need to be licensed or registered
- Renew every 3 years
- Can be used for marketing tool. Press release and included on www.childcarefinder.in.gov
- Areas covered are Environmental Health Threats, Chemical Safety, and Environmental Stewardship
- Karen can be contacted to get lead testing done for free
- a provider chooses what level you want to be at. Five (5) is the highest
- Karen's phone number is 317-233-5555

Website for more information: <http://www.in.gov/idem/health/2350.htm>

Sheila Crossley, a child care home provider in Boone Co, is the Regional Representative for the National Association for Family Child Care.

- Voice for providers
- There was turn over in main office of NAFCC
- Coleen Land asked question about dictation for infants -2 yr olds. How are you to do dictation if the child is not talking yet? Coleen was told by PTQ coach that you needed it for Level 4.
- NAFCC is increasing the stipend to be an observer to \$150 per visit
- Question was asked about how often they do training for observers. Sheila will check into that.

Melanie--- CCDF Reauthorization

-Federal laws are changing for funding

-Indiana is required to meet new requirements.

-New regulations will be promulgated for homes, centers and ministries

-CCDF is going from 6 months to 12 months for eligible children

Phase out policy (cliff effect) 127% poverty level up to 170%

Families stay on longer with increasing co pays

All providers will have unannounced visits from state licensing rep.

New State law for unlicensed CCDF vouchers started July 1st.

Comply with ratios, nutrition, daily activities and ongoing professional trainings

On My Way Pre K going good so far

2200 children in the fall

New business from Stephanie

Qualification changes for food program

Rep from program may come to next meeting

Environmental Free cleaners – send product info to licensing rep or Debbie and they will check with the nurse.