

FIRST 5 COMMISSION OF SAN DIEGO
Technical and Professional Advisory Committee
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Members Present:

Carol Skiljan, Chairwoman
Karma Bass, Vice Chair
Jim Farley
Patricia Sinay
Philip Ziring

Members Excused

Lindsey Wade
Robert Yarris
Martha Trevisan
Jack Luomanen

Staff Present:

Barbara Jimenez, Executive Director
Grace Young
Lynn Eldred
Lauren Chin
David Smith, Sr. Deputy County Counsel

Minutes for April 19, 2010

Call to Order

Chairwoman Skiljan called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

Approval of TPAC Meeting Minutes - March 15, 2010

ON MOTION OF TPAC member Ziring, seconded by TPAC member Bass, TPAC approved the minutes of March 15, 2010 as amended.

AYES: Skiljan, Bass, Ziring
ABSENT: Wade, Yarris, Trevisan, Luomanen
ABSTAIN: Farley, Sinay
NOES: None

Opportunity for Public Comments

A public comment was received from Kevin O'Neill of SAY, San Diego who spoke in favor of the PAT (Parents as Teachers) model of Targeted Home Visitation.

TPAC Member Recusal Reminder

Chairwoman Skiljan reminded the TPAC members to recuse themselves from voting on any agenda item that has a real or perceived conflict of interest.

1. Targeted At Risk Home Visitation

Staff member Chin presented information on:

- the estimated size of the target population;
- other providers of home visitation services for this population;
- potential Strategic Plan Objectives and indicators to be addressed by the home visitation strategy;
- potential evidence based models, focusing on Healthy Families America and Parents as Teachers, and advantages of combining the two models; and
- potential need for and advantages of a coordinated resource network of service providers.

TPAC comments and feedback are summarized below:

- The Commission's Targeted At Risk Home Visitation strategy should include the development of a home visitation resource network to ensure coordinated service referral and avoid duplication of effort.
- The Strategy should include Countywide coordination provided by First 5 or a neutral party to provide coordination without connection to contractors.
- The program's guidelines should include emphasis on early enrollment, prenatal care and access to a medical home.
- The objectives of the Strategic Plan that the home visitation strategy should seek to achieve are:
 - Decrease % of children entering kindergarten with undetected and/or untreated developmental, social emotional, or behavioral delays or problems.

- Increase the number of households with children ages 0 through 5 that regularly engage in age-appropriate parent-child activities that promote early learning.
- Increase use of positive parenting practices to promote healthy social emotional development of children 0 through 5.
- First 5 should partner with HHSA in developing the home visitation strategy to avoid duplication of services and ensure that the needs of the target population are met.
- Evaluation of HFA model has yielded positive outcomes and substantial return on investment and is recommended as the First 5 Home Visitation model.
- Including Parents as Teachers as the child development curriculum is supported.

2. Future Agenda Items

- ◆ Smoking Cessation for Pregnant Women
- ◆ Childhood Obesity Prevention

3. Adjournment

Chairwoman Skiljan adjourned the meeting of the TPAC at 4:05 p.m. to reconvene on June 21, 2010.

Notes by: Nancy Page