SOONER IS BETTER:
AN EARLY INTERVENTION APPROACH TO ADDRESSING CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND WELLBEING

2019 COMMUNITY INFORMATION EXCHANGE SUMMIT

IT'S NOT JUST SYSTEMS CHANGE / IT'S PEOPLE CHANGE...

EARLY CHILDHOOD HOME VISITING

BRIDGEPORT: A CITY OF TRAUMA?

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BRIDGEPORT PROSPERS

HOW DO WE UNDERSTAND EARLY CHILDHOOD BRAIN DEVELOPMENT?

- SOCIAL
- INTELLECTUAL

"HEALTHY and READY at 3!"

CHANGE the NARRATIVE!

Be sure to DOCUMENT!

IMPLEMENT in a THOUGHTFUL way...

CONNECT FAMILIES TO SERVICES and RESOURCES... and connect children to resources even when parents aren't present.

INCREASINGLY, WE ARE SEEING A REFOCUS ON EARLY CHILDHOOD BRAIN DEVELOPMENT 0-3 and PRENATAL /

DRIVING CHANGE AT THE STATE LEVEL...

CALIFORNIA:

"Data sharing — and unique identifiers — are CRUCIAL!"

- WE LOOKED AT CALWORKS, CALFRESH, and WIC...
- What are the recipients ELIGIBLE for?
- CALWORKS and TANF
- WHAT KINDS OF SERVICES ARE PEOPLE RECEIVING?
- WHAT ARE YOUR PRIORITIES + FOCUS areas?
- DATA MATCHING.

THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP IS ALREADY APPARENT AT AGE 2!

THIS IS WHY STARTING EARLY IS SO CRUCIAL.

"WHAT ARE THE OUTCOMES YOU'RE LOOKING AT?"

FIRST 5-LA

IT'S ABOUT THE ECOSYSTEM.

"CONNECT FAMILIES to HOME VISITING!"

- INCLUDE IT IN THE COUNTY-WIDE PREVENTION PLAN
- BRING IN AND ENGAGE MULTIPLE STAKEHOLDERS
- UNIVERSAL HOME VISITING

"THERE AREN'T ENOUGH HOME VISITORS!"

HOW DO WE ADDRESS THE WORK FORCE ISSUE?

"HOW DO WE COORDINATE SERVICES, NOT DUPLICATE THEM?"

"WHAT ARE THE PERSONAL REASONS BEHIND YOUR WORK?"

- "I KNEW BRIDGEPORT HAD POTENTIAL... AND I WANTED TO SUPPORT FAMILIES, CHILDREN, and COMMUNITIES..."
- WHAT HAPPENS AT HOME and IN THE COMMUNITY to SUPPORT FAMILIES?
- "GROWING UP IN A MULTI-RACIAL FAMILY... I HAD MANY QUESTIONS..."
- "I HAD A BABY AND WAS ON WIC... ...and I received a HOME VISIT that was HELPFUL.

CREATING SERVICES and TECHNOLOGIES TO SERVE VULNERABLE CHILDREN...

IVY POOL

BUILD BETTER PRODUCTS.

ENSURE TRUST and ENGAGEMENT ABOVE ALL.

HHS CONNECT

NEW YORK, NY

- REAL-TIME DATA INFORMATION to workers in the field
- DATA INTEGRATION
- COLLABORATION among PROVIDERS

HOW DO WE COORDINATE HOME VISITATION WITH OTHER SERVICES?

HOW DO WE MAKE HOME VISITING A DESIRABLE CAREER PATH?

HOW DO WE MAKE HOME VISITS MORE ACCESSIBLE, NOT CENTRALIZED?

WHAT ARE OUR HOPED-FOR OUTCOMES? HOW DO WE MEASURE THEM?

WHAT IS THE FAMILY'S RELATIONSHIP TO QUALITY OF EDUCATION?

WHAT ARE THE MEASURES of EVALUATION for HOME VISITING?

DELINK RESOURCES TO CHILDREN FROM THE ACTIVITIES of the PARENTS?

EARLY LEARNING

Collective IMPACT!

IN ORDER TO EFFECT ECOSYSTEM CHANGE,

You need DATA!

- Do you HAVE IT?
- Do your DATA SYSTEMS talk to each other?
- Do your PEOPLE talk to each other?

INTERVENING with FAMILIES BEFORE CRISIS!

TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT HOW FAMILIES GET CONNECTED with SERVICES.

- TWO-GENERATION APPROACH
- CROSS-SECTOR MULTI-SECTOR APPROACH
  - Data Sharing
  - Streamlined Referral Processes
  - Screenings
- PILOTS... SCALE: and then BRING the LOCAL to a LARGER SCALE

HOW DO WE DO OUTREACH for IMPACT?

- CULTURAL COMPETENCE
- TRUSTED MESSENGERS
- LEGAL REMEDIES

Doulas! There is a large contingent of doulas in Bridgeport — and they are well-loved!

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