Alabama State Stakeholders Meeting Agenda

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9:30am-11:00am

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Introductions:

ME- State EHDI Coordinator. I have 33 years nursing experience in numerous areas of practice and specialties as I believe that all nurses should be well rounded and knowledgeable about their job. I have a son who was diagnosed at age 8 with Mild-Mod CHL who was 22 last week and now only has decibel levels that he has difficulty with. So basically he has normal hearing for all intended purposes. The road for the last 16 years was not easy with what he now has is a permanent reading disability. We have changed drastically over the last 20 years in Alabama concerning hearing loss and deafness. Education of teachers is still lacking and how children qualify is changing. But the goal for all babies in newborn hearing screening is for them to be able to say what Caleb told me this past year and that was he doesn't consider himself to have a problem. As parents we all want to see our children to grow up feeling successful so this is where Caleb now is in Life working on being an entrepreneur. My passion is for all children in Alabama to share the same sentiment.

Please be willing to share in the meeting about you.

II. Program Goals and Objectives:

- a. Increase timeliness of screening, diagnostic evaluation, and referral to services such as EI
- b. Advisory Group

- c. Family Organization Partnering
- d. QI
- e. Data Quality Improvement
- III. Progress, Success and Barriers (some will be discussed in above)
 - a. 2017 87 babies diagnosed
 - b. 100% El referral rate
 - a. Barriers
 - b. Reduction in funding
- IV. Gaps in System
 - a. Consistency in reporting
 - b. Providers not following JCIH 1-3-6
 - c. Lack of knowledge
- V. Learning Community
 - a. First being started in Mobile, AL
 - b. Leaders: Jessica Havard; Angie Smith
 - c. Kick off meeting (Jessica to speak about)
- VIII. QI
- IX. Miscellaneous Documents
 - a. Infographic
 - b. Reporting form
 - c. Letters
- X. Next Steps
 - a. Hearing Work Shop

- b. Completion of data quality improvement
- c. Partnerships with family organizations to begin
- d. Re-evaluation of project activities due to HRSA funding reduction