

**Niagara Infant Mental Health Meeting
Family and Children's Services Niagara
9:00 a.m.**

Date: October 17, 2017

Present: Tracy Belcastro, Chaya Kulkarni (via phone), Sharon Alakas, Carolyn Fish, Cindy Goupil, Sandy Toth, Lorrey Arial-Bonilla, Marena Doucette, Amanda Hicks, Rochelle Plett, Kim Cole, Laura Rasmussen, Marie Jones, Debbie Kempt, Laurie Roberto, Tiffany Grant, Christina Ramanauskas, Sherrie Moore, Kayleigh Tyrer, Doreen Hill, Trudy Hill, Taylor Burciul, Darlene Druin, Julie McNamara

Regrets: Patricia Couroux, Christina Clarke

Item	Discussion	Action
Round Table		
	As this was the first meeting of this term, and there were new members at the table, introductions around the table were made.	
Review of Previous Minutes		
	<p>Minutes were reviewed. Sandy spoke about a meeting she had on Oct. 16 to provide input on the "Living in Niagara" report, where she promoted the need for IMH promotion in Niagara.</p> <p>Conversation was held around holding a brainstorming session for ideas to update the Goal Tracker and Lorrey suggested a "considering vision" approach, which will be done May 31 & June 1 as an IMH strategic planning session (11am-3pm at FACS) with Chaya attending.</p> <p>Darlene Druin spoke about updates made to the IMH website and noted that on average there have been 48 views/month. The most visited areas of the site found users seeking resource information and searching the events page. Darlene reminded the table that each agency has the ability to populate the events calendar on their own.</p> <p>Darlene has investigated and found 3 local credible Mommy blogs that we could connect with. She also suggested that it might be beneficial to approach the Niagara Region, CMHA, Early Years Niagara, Niagara this Week and Pathstone to have reciprocal links to the IMH website.</p>	<p>No corrections needed.</p> <p>IMH Strategic Planning sessions on May 31 and June 1/2018.</p> <p>Have agencies input their own events on the calendar pages.</p> <p>Darlene to pursue these community partners.</p>

Mommy Blogs/ Mommy Boards		
	We have been invited to do a blog with Niagara Connects.	Arrange material and time/date to connect.
Training&Technical Support Days		
	Chaya confirmed dates to be February 9, 23 and March 2, 2018 from 10am-4pm at FACS Niagara, St. Catharines.	
Goal Tracker		
	Hold strat plan sessions after the spring symposium in order to move forward with ideas for the goal planner	Facilitate strat planning session on May 31 & June1, 2018.
Moving Forward		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Symposium for final Data results- in order to reveal final results effectively, James should be present to speak about the study. Venues will be researched. A sub-committee was chosen to plan the spring symposium- Tracy, Amanda, Christina and Marie. ➤ Sustainability in the Community- Chaya pressed upon the table that government support is needed to create sustainability. She suggested using the data collected to leverage meetings with regional, provincial and federal governments; emailing letters for funding requests and support. ➤ Agency Best Practices-To be implemented in each agency after competencies are complete. 	<p>Choose a date based on James' availability. Sub-committee to plan spring symposium.</p> <p>Reach out to government agencies for support.</p> <p>Competencies to be done early 2018.</p>
Next Meeting Date		
	December 12, 2017 at FACS at 9am in the boardroom.	