



WEST VIRGINIA Early Childhood Planning TASK FORCE

PLANNING RETREAT

Trinity Lutheran Church • 1600 Kanawha Blvd. East
November 21, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm • November 22, 9:00 am – Noon

Agenda

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

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| 10:00 am | Welcome
<i>Task Force Chairman Bob Kiss</i>
<i>Benedum Foundation Board Chairman Lloyd Jackson</i> |
| 10:10 am | Introductions and retreat overview (<i>Julie Pratt</i>) |
| 10:30 am | Vision for early childhood in West Virginia (<i>Bruce Decker</i>) |
| 11:00 am | Review process for Study Group recommendations (<i>Barb Gebhard</i>)

Introduction to Service System Design recommendations (<i>Gretchen Frankenberry</i>)
Consider recommendations A1 – A8. |
| 12:30 pm | LUNCH |
| 1:00 pm | Introduction to Quality recommendations (<i>Bruce Decker</i>)

Presentation on Quality Rating and Improvement System – QRIS (<i>Jessica Dianellos</i>)
Consider recommendations B1 – B5. |
| 2:30 pm | BREAK |
| 2:45 pm | Introduction to Finance and Governance recommendations (<i>Barb Gebhard</i>)
Presentation on early childhood financing options (<i>Ted Boettner</i>)
Summary of federal Strong Start for America's Children Act (<i>Barb Gebhard</i>)
Consider recommendations C1 – C4. |
| 4:30 pm | Review actions taken, and identify recommendations needing further discussion on Friday. (<i>Julie Pratt</i>) |
| 5:00 pm | Adjourn |

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

9:00 am	Reflections on Day 1 (<i>Julie Pratt</i>)
9:15 am	Discussion on publicizing and using the plan (<i>Bruce Decker</i>)
9:45 am	Further discussion and final action on recommendations
11:45 am	Wrap up and next steps
12:00 pm	Lunch for those who can stay

MUTUAL UNDERSTANDINGS FOR OUR RETREAT

- **All of us discuss, and Task Force members vote.**
- **Keep families at center of our thinking.**
- **Value different perspectives.**
- **Build on work of study groups, and welcome new ideas.**
- **Share responsibility for staying on task. (ELMO – enough, let's move on)**
- **Other?**