

FIRST 5 SACRAMENTO COMMISSION

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EVALUATION COMMITTEE

ACTION SUMMARY

Friday, April 19, 2024 – 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM



Members: Steve Wirtz (Chair), David Gordon (Vice Chair), Dr. Olivia Kasirye
Advisory Committee Member(s): Robin Blanks, Tony Smith, Jennifer Mohammed (Alt.), Kairis Chiaji (Alt.)

Staff: Carmen Garcia-Gomez, Lindsey Dunckel, Linda Fong, Elena Enriquez

Attendance: In-person: S. Wirtz, J. Mohammed, R. Blanks

Via Zoom: D. Gordon, Dr. O. Kasirye, T. Smith

Consultant: Applied Survey Research



1. Call to order and Roll Call

Action: Meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM. A quorum was not established.

2. Public Comments on Off-Agenda Items

Action: None.

3. Approve Draft Action Summary of March 18, 2024

Action: Moved to May meeting for approval.

Edit on S. Wirtz explanation on Item 8, paragraph 5, to include **the word "not"** in the first sentence.

4. Evaluation Staff Report

Action: None.

Commission staff provided an update on the following items:

Evaluation Planning:

- RBAs in process
 - B&B (Empowered Families, RAACD, CalWORKs)
 - Crisis Nursery
 - Preschool Bridging Model
- Consent
- Family Information Form

- Special Study: Update on Crisis Nursery special study. Staff decided to put this work on hold until July.

Discussion: The committee agreed to review the remaining RBAs via email if needed.

Staff reported that the Family Information Form and Consent Form will be completed and presented to the committee for review and feedback at the May meeting.

5. Receive and Discuss– Evaluation Plans

Action: Reviewed and discussed.

ASR presented the RBA for:

- UC Davis MIND Institute Developmental Playgroups
- School Districts/Playgroups & Parent Cafes
- Her health First/Black Mothers United
- Safe Sleep Baby

Committee members provided input and discussed in detail. Some points of discussion and feedback:

- UC Davis MIND Institute Developmental Playgroups:
 - D. Gordon shared concerns about the lack of data available regarding utilization rates of preventive care services for children. How do we mine data from the general system? S. Wirtz proposed presenting the issue to the SOS committee.
 - Include a note that the Family Outcome Survey is from the Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center; validated by the Early Childhood Outcomes Center.
- School Districts-Playgroups:
 - Attendance: **Add "Total" to** number of sessions attended. S. Wirtz proposed future explorations/special studies that will look at parent satisfaction by total attendance.
 - Playgroup Follow Up Survey: Add a narrative question; why/why not or **"anything else you would like to share"**.
- School Districts – Parent Support & Connections:
 - Parent Café Follow Up Survey -Parent Leadership Development: Review the wording of the Be Strong Families tool and make modifications that feel more appropriate to the level of leadership being proposed. For **example, change from "my district" to "my school"**.
- Safe Sleep Baby: Knowledge Improvement by group: Report successes and challenges. Change language to more general rather than purposefully selecting positive improvements.
- Consider incorporating response rates from follow-up and program exit surveys in reporting to interpret generalizability.

6. Committee Members Comments
 - a. Miscellaneous
 - b. Future Agenda Items/Presentations

Adjourned: 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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First 5 Sacramento Commission