



Healthy Births Learning Collaborative
SPA 7

March 14, 2006

Meeting Location:

**East Los Angeles Library
4837 East Third Street
Los Angeles, CA 90022**

Meeting Notes

Meeting Purpose:

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| 1) To Review SPA 7 Priorities | 2) To Develop a Mission Statement |
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Co-chair: Nicole Schulert

1. Welcome

Introductions and Icebreaker

2. Business

LA Best Babies Network Update

- On Valentines Day Ricardo Chavira, star of ABC's hit show "Desperate Housewives" joined mothers and babies in launching LA Best Babies Network's "Love Your Baby" education campaign.
- The "Love Your Baby" campaign is designed to educate women on three distinct, but very essential aspects of healthcare for women in LA County. Our campaign will address "How to have a Healthy Pregnancy, How to Have a Healthy Birth and How to Stay Healthy between Pregnancies.

Program Showcase

Ms. Irene Heath elaborated on the numerous services provided by WIC Women, Infant and Children". The presentation helped heighten the groups' awareness of the services provided by this organization in our area.

3. Discussion

• **Why are we here?**

Group members discussed the reasons they participate at the SPA 7 HBLC meetings.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To find a resource specialist to conduct workshops at the library ○ Increase knowledge of resources available ○ To promote services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To promote healthy birth outcomes ○ To promote the BBC's work
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- **Review SPA 7 Priorities**

To identify the hot topics within SPA 7, the group was asked the following questions:

What are some major issues (from community clinics, pregnant women, and hospitals) that impact birth outcomes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to health care • Transportation • Cultural issues
What can you and/or your agency do to improve birth outcomes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get women early into WIC program • Provide referrals and resources • Make connections • Educational workshops • LAMB survey
What services already exist in this area?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPSP • WIC • Libraries • CTIS Info Line • SPA 7 CPC * • Altamed Teens program * • SHIELDS for families * • East Los Angeles Community College * • Cerritos College * • Faith based organizations * • Queen Ann *
What services do we need?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation • FEMA • 211 Info Line • Collaborative participation by the agencies identified above.

* Group members committed to contact these agencies for more information about their programs and to invite them to our next meeting.

- **Mission Statement**

The group had previously brainstormed for our mission statement and today it was completed.



The mission statement of the SPA 7 HBLC is to: “Enhance communication among community resource organizations in order to provide outreach and information about services to increase healthy birth outcomes”.

4. Next Steps

- Co-chair nominations

Ms. Schulert addressed the group about filling the co-chair position. No one at this time volunteered.

- Volunteer position to post meeting highlights

Ms. Schulert will post highlights of today’s meeting on the LA Best Babies Network Forums.

At the next meeting Ms. Sonia Alvarado from **CTIS** will present a program showcase.

Next meeting will be:

May Tuesday 9, 2006 from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

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5. Announcements

6. Adjournment