

## Healthy Births Learning Collaborative

### SPA 6

March 28, 2007

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

### Meeting Location

A.C. Bilbrew Public Library

150 E. El Segundo Blvd.

Los Angeles, CA 90061

### Meeting Notes

#### Meeting Objectives:

- 1) Discuss 2007 Action Plan
- 2) Select one of the Indicators from the Wilder Survey Results and Develop a Plan for Improvement

**Meeting Facilitator:** Irma Radillo

#### 1. Welcome

- Introductions and Icebreaker
- LABBN staff facilitated the icebreaker.

#### 2. Discussion

- LABBN Update, Wilder Survey Results
- Select one of the indicators and develop a plan for improvement**

At the last meeting HBLC members were informed about the Wilder Survey Results.

- The Wilder Collaboration Inventory demonstrated the HBLCs' success in bringing together community stakeholders to improve birth outcomes throughout Los Angeles County. The indicators that exhibit the strengths of the Healthy Births Learning Collaboratives are as follows:
  - Mutual respect, understanding, and trust
  - Flexibility
  - Open and frequent communication
  - Skilled leadership

#### Areas for Improvement:

- There are two areas where the majority of HBLCs expressed a need for improvement. These are:
  - Appropriate cross section of members
  - Sufficient funds, staff, materials, and time

The recommendations were that each HBLC will choose at least one indicator and develop a plan for improvement in the second quarter.

Group members chose the indicator, “**Appropriate cross section of members**”, and agreed on working on a recruitment and retention strategy.

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- ▶ Ms. Nicole Vick and Ms. Mattie Nogaye volunteered to develop a draft letter of commitment that all SPA 6 HBLC members will be asked to sign.
- ▶ Group members volunteered to call previous SPA 6 HBLC members and encourage them to re-join the group. The task of calling previous members was divided among collaborative members.
  - **Discussion about what project to focus on this year**
    - a) Tobacco cessation campaign
    - b) What to do during pregnancy brochure
- ▶ Group members talked about the possibility of working on a “**what to do during pregnancy campaign**”, that will include information on tobacco.
- ▶ It was discussed that we will use existing information and will develop posters with key messages to be posted at participating beauty salons and/or Laundromats.
- ▶ LAC Public Health Department volunteered a couple of nurses to train the hair dressers and Laundromats managers on how to deliver key messages to customers regarding what to do before and during pregnancy.
- ▶ A suggestion was made to conduct a pre-assessment to learn whether business owners/managers want to participate in this project.
- ▶ Ms. Nicole Vick will contact The American Cancer Society to get information about what worked and what didn't with a similar campaign they conducted to increase awareness about breast cancer. If possible, a representative from the ACS will be invited to our next meeting.
- ▶ Next step – each member will bring two statements that they would like to have on the poster.

### 3. Business

- **Program Showcase**

LAUSD Teen Parent Program

Ms. Rosemary Couch introduced the Teen Parent Program to the SPA 6 HBLC. The Teen Parent Program serves pregnant and parenting students, including teen fathers, throughout the Los Angeles Unified School District.

Program Goals:

- ▶ To assist pregnant and parenting students to remain in school and graduate.
- ▶ To ensure pregnant and parenting students have access to District and Community support services which promote full school participation and academic success.
- ▶ To ensure pregnant and parenting students have access to information and resources which will help them to meet their educational objectives, and enhance both life and parenting skills.
- ▶ To advocate on behalf of pregnant and parenting students in order to protect their civil and educational rights, which are guaranteed under federal law, Title IX, and under both the California Education Code and Los Angeles Unified School District Policy.

For additional information regarding the LAUSD Teen Parent Program, please call 213 763-7430.

**4. Next Steps**

April 25, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
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150 E. El Segundo Blvd.  
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(310) 538-3350.

**5. Announcements**

**6. Adjournment**