



Healthy Births Learning Collaborative

SPA 8

March 26, 2007

Meeting Notes

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Harbor UCLA Medical Center

Professional Building

Board Room

21840 South Normandie Avenue

Torrance CA 90502

Meeting Purpose:

- 1) Inform HBLC Members of Wilder Survey Results
- 2) To Continue Action Plan Discussion

Co-Chair : Ava Cato-Werhane

Co-Chair: Jennifer Haddad

Co-Chair: Shirley Smith

Meeting Attendance:

Meeting Notes

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Business

- Program Showcase

LAUSD Teen Parent Program

Ms. Rosemary Couch introduced the Teen Parent Program to the SPA 8 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.

3. Discussion

- **LABBN Update**

Wilder Survey Results

Ms. Julie Gates, shared the results of the Wilder Survey.

- 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 discussed the indicator, “**Collaborative group seen as a legitimate leader in the community,**” and agreed on improving SPA 8 HBLC’s visibility in the community.

- ▶ Collaborative members discussed ways to increase awareness about the SPA 8 HBLC group.
- ▶ Each HBLC members will bring a new member to the next meeting in order to increase membership.
- ▶ Collaborative members will create a document with the list of current members and agencies, and the SPA 8 HBLC mission statement. It will be distributed at health fairs with the Healthy Births Initiative brochure.

- **Title X Intern Update**

- ▶ Group members continued the discussion about which project to focus on this year and agreed on replicating the Nutrition and Physical Activity workshops.
- ▶ Group members reported that they have not been successful in finding an intern. It is anticipated that the Intern will be hired by the summer.
- ▶ Ms. Jennifer Haddad presented the revised job description for the Internship.
- ▶ Ms. Ava Cato-Werhane will contact CSLB, Nursing Department
- ▶ Ms. Karina Reyes will contact the University of Phoenix

4. Future Planning

- Collaborative members suggested including an agenda item to report on any HBLC promotion that has taken place since the last HBLC meeting.
- Next meeting- May 14, 2007 from 1:00 pm- 3:00 pm at:

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