

Name of Group: Results Accountability

Date: February 3, 2010

Responsibility of Group:

- To define appropriate results and indicators, and serve as a clearinghouse for consistent definitions of result and performance measures among programs.
- To serve as a clearinghouse for national, state and regional data using existing data bases and publications to assure consistency in demographic and indicator data.
- To serve in a consultative capacity to provide feedback on proposed results indicators and service, product, activity performance measures, including definitions, collection methods and reporting formats.

Past Accomplishments:

- The group finalized the 2007-2008 ECI Leadership Agenda, which provides data around the five result areas of ECI and the chosen priority goals for the current year. This document portrays strengths, weaknesses and opportunities in relation to the current early childhood system in Iowa.
- The RA group developed a set of result and goal indicators for inclusion in the ECI Strategic Plan. The working documents included input from ECI, community empowerment sources, the State Agency Liaison Team, Kids Count data and Results Iowa data.
- Reviewed and recommended updated statewide indicators to the Iowa Empowerment Board (Adopted September 9, 2005).
- The group developed a draft report card based around the goals and strategies within the ECI Strategic Plan.

Current Activities:

- The group came together again in January 2010 to review the current identified indicators. The group's task was to determine if the indicators are still valid and if the data is timely. We also reviewed and analyzed the feedback received at the ECI regional meetings in May and July 2009, around the indicators and goal measures in the ECI Strategic Plan - were there any new indicators that should be added and if so, is there a valid data source for the information. The group will meet again in February to continue the discussion.

Future Plans:

- The group will bring their recommendations for indicators to be included in the ECI Leadership agenda for the current year to the ECI Council in May 2010.