

**Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County ~ eitas
 Planning & Services Committee Reports
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<p style="text-align: center;">Update on Agency Relations Continued</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Deputy Director Report</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Support Coordination Erin Epperson</p>	<p>Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) regulations.</p> <p>Nancy and Tracy continue to provide consultation with eitas funded agencies and others involved in Gentle Teaching.</p> <p>The next Heart of America GTI Network meeting is May 24th.</p> <p>Mark Riley, eitas Deputy Director shared that they are still working on the final priorities list.</p> <p>The Senior Support Coordinator position and job description is now revised and will be officially posted on May 15. The number of positions is capped at 3 per team and there will be 7 positions to fill.</p> <p>Five new Support Coordinators are scheduled to begin on Monday, May 22.</p> <p>Employment Initiative - the Department of Mental Health (DMH) cancelled the latest meeting, however initiative is still in process.</p> <p>Utilization Review - we are looking at what system adjustments can provide the quickest relief to Support Coordinators. A proposal is being developed as a pilot program. UR Coordinators will do some actual completion of the UR request itself, so that it is less burdensome on SC's. This will be implemented in May.</p> <p>Erin Epperson, SC Manager shared the following information pertaining to Support Coordination:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Information</p>

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<p>Support Coordination Erin Epperson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently 51 Support Coordinators on staff. • 11 Senior Support Coordinators • Number of people supported: 1,923 • New Support Coordinators Hired: 5 (Starting May 22) • Number of SC's on FMLA: 5 currently with two more planned: (1 in June and 1 in October) <p>Number 1 Priority: Caseload Management</p> <p>The average number of people supported for seasoned SC's is 46 (some are up to 48). For the past year, eitas SC's have carried additional people on their caseloads for various reasons: FMLA coverage, SC's promoted internally or for SC's who have left eitas. This coverage has not gotten better - in fact, it has continued to increase with time. We are just now getting to the point where we are hiring enough new SC's that we hope to be closing the gap on the openings that are causing this extra coverage. It does take some time to sufficiently train new SC's and build their caseloads at a reasonable rate. The Intake Coordinator continues to support between 15-20 people so they are not added to existing caseloads.</p> <p>Current SC Department Priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing high caseloads while staying on top of requirements. • Finalizing new Senior SC job description and process for application. • Streamlining Utilization Review • Continued focus on the basics tasks of the position. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Information</p>

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<p>Organizational Development Amanda George</p>	<p>Amanda George, Organizational Development Manager shared information on classes offered at eitas along with class attendance records to date for 2017.</p> <p>Staff training for May includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 staff attended Excel training <p>Upcoming training includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meatless meals • LifeCourse Framework National Conference in KC • Alzheimer's/Dementia and People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities <p>Grants: Health Care Foundation <u>Submitted Developmental Disability Health Initiative - Year 6</u> February 14, 2017 (\$95,507)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding requested for CHW continuing education • Developing five modules that address healthy practices (target audience - people with IDD, staff) <p><u>Developmental Disability Health Initiative - Year 5</u> Project began July 17, 2016, Partners: Institute for Human Development (IHD), Harvesters, The Whole Person and DD service providers. Grant total: \$90,000; \$28,357 allocated to eitas. Interim Grant Progress:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developmental Disability Health Promotion Training - May 10-11, 2017 • 7 people (one parent) with IDD on the Advisory Council - revised Meatless Meals Harvesters curriculum (2016) working on Healthy Desserts 	<p style="text-align: center;">Information</p>

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<p>Organizational Development Continued Amanda George</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Health Worker course with 15 students that are professionals in IDD field or family members - COMPLETED! • Have a job posting currently out for the Community Health Worker at eitas - interviewing this month. <p><u>Oral Health Grant for people with Developmental Disabilities</u> Project start date: January 1, 2017 Grant total: \$73,152; \$13,385 allocated to eitas Partners: IHD, Missouri Primary Care Association, Dr. John Dane, Director of Dental Services - Missouri.</p> <p>The goal of the proposed project is to "ensure an oral health care system for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities that provides easy access to quality dental care, resulting in better oral health, better dental care, and lower costs.</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. develop and deliver training for dental professionals to increase their capacity to treat people with IDD, 2. develop and implement training for people with IDD, their family caregivers, and disability service providers that will improve routine daily oral care and hygiene, and 3. identify and implement and practice changes at local provider organizations and in state systems that will lead to improved oral health and better access to care for people with IDD. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Information</p>

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<p>Organizational Development Continued Amanda George</p>	<p><u>Kansas City Collaborative to Enhance Access to Behavior and Physical Activity Supports for Individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias.</u> Project Start Date: December 2016 Grant: 3 year Partners: KU Alzheimer's Disease Center and 5 sub-awardees: UMKC - IHD, Shepherd's Center of Kansas City Central, Jewish Family Services of Greater KC, Alzheimer's Association - Heart of American Chapter, and Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County - eitas.</p> <p>Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • eitas offering with training for staff and providers on Alzheimer's and Dementia awareness training • identify and implement a screening tool for Support Coordinators to use as needed with individuals they support • staff implement the RDAD program starting July or August of 2017 <p>Provided overview of resources available on May 3, IDD Alzheimer/Dementia training on May 15 and Amanda attends Train the Trainer session in Houston to provide Dementia Capable 2-day training.</p> <p><u>Improving Access to Mental Health Services for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities with Co-Occurring Mental Health Issues</u> Grant proposal submitted April 19, 2017 to the Health Care Foundation of Greater KC: 2 years: \$236,623 HCF request; eitas \$71,150.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Information</p>

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	<p>This concluded the highlights of the Planning & Service committee reports submitted for May.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted,</p> <p>Staff</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Information</p>