



Building a supportive community where children are born into healthy families and arrive at school ready to learn.

Coordinator's Report: December 2008

Highlights:

★ The Prenatal Care Subcommittee met with individuals from DMAS to discuss identified issues with insurance providers and local access to care. Follow up steps were identified and the group will reconvene in January or February.

Work Group Updates:

- **Early Care and Education:** At last month's Partner meeting, Early Care and Education presented their action plan for guiding the community's in *Expanding programming and access to affordable, early care and education for children from birth through age 5, which meets an agreed upon minimum standard of quality*. The plan was approved and members will begin work on it in January.
- **Public Awareness:** Last month we completed our 3 part Partnership Agency Orientation pilot. In January work group members will evaluate collective results from the pilot and identify next steps.
- **Family Support:** Last month work group members submitted feedback from their agencies on the Literacy Kit evaluations in lieu meeting. This month we will review the feedback.
- **Parent Education:** Last month, we modified the spring schedule for Saturday Parenting Workshops and identified a list of possible projects for 2009. In January, we will continue our discussion on projects for 2009 and identify where we will focus our work.
- **Data Management:** Last month we oriented our new members and continued work on the 2007-08 Annual Analysis. We will review and finalize the 2007-08 Annual Analysis draft by email and reconvene after the report is published and distributed.

Upcoming work group meetings:

- Early Care and Education: Thursday, 1/22, 3:30-5 p.m. @ Malcolm Cole Child Care Center
- Public Awareness: Monday, 1/12, 3:45-5 p.m. @ CYFS
- Family Support: Thursday, 1/15, 11-12:30 p.m. @ MACAA
- Parent Education: Tuesday, 1/27, 9-10:30 a.m. @ MACAA
- Data Management: Reconvening in January 2009, meeting date/location TBA.