HELP ME GROW ADVISORY MEETING

DATE: November 14, 2025, **TIME: 10 AM** **LOCATION: VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING**

Members in Attendance	**Daphne Evans, Jennifer Fromme, Aguida Atkinson, Audrey Cooper, Jamie Naudain, Mary Moor, Vik Vishnubhakta, Jenny Grady, Megan Hayes, Erin Nescott, Annie Norman, Debbie Finch, Diane Frentzel, Kristina Horton, Ashley Steinbrecher, Trinette Redinger-Ramsey, Susan Elizabeth Cordle, Emily Thompson, Ashleigh Hercules, Erin Nescott, Jamie Naudin, Kimberley Harvey, Megan Coalson, Roberta Banks** **Guest: Kier Berkol** **Paulina Gyan, (Facilitator)**
Agenda Item ***Welcome/Introductions***	*Paulina Gyan* • *Minutes approved by Mary Moor.* • *Provided an overview of the day's agenda.*

Discussion Points	***EARLY CHILDHOOD MENTAL HEALTH CONSULTATION PRESENTATION – Mary Moor and Keir Berkel***
	• *Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation (ECMHC) in Delaware is an evidence-based prevention and early intervention approach that pairs mental health professionals with early care and education professionals to support young children, birth to 5.*
	• *Infant and early childhood mental health is the positive social and emotional development of infants and young children.*
	• *It develops the capacity of a young child (birth to age 5)*
	• *Available to any licensed child-care program (family, large family and center-based) and preschool settings serving children birth through age 5.*
	• *From July 2024 through June 2025, 144 programs and over 7300 young children benefited from the ECMHC service in the state.*
	• *A short application is needed to request ECMHC services.* *https://kidsfiles.delaware.gov/pbhs/pdfs/pbh-brochure-ecmhc.pdf*
	• *You can also email or call for more information:*
	  • *EMAIL: dscyf_ecmhs@delaware.gov*
	  • *CALL or TEXT: 302-256-9308*

- See the attached PPT for more information.

HMG @ 211 DATA REPORT

- *Vik Vishnubhakta also reported on Help Me Grow at 211 data (HMG@211) through Q3 2025 (July 1, 2025 – September30, 2025). See the PPT attached for more information.*

In summary:

- *Number of Contacts: 1,103*
- *Callers heard about HMG from governmental and personal referral sources – these are consistent sources.*
- *Most callers were first-time callers - an indication of the increasing reach of HMG@211.*
- *The top three problem/needs were related to (in descending order by count) Developmental Health, Basic Immediate Needs, and Maternal Health.*

Also discussed the new HMG@211 data system. The features enable staff to be efficient in their data collection and tracking.
System also is compatible with other systems such as the Stand-By-Me data system.

SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES

FACE – Family and Community Engagement

Daphne reported the committee met on October 24. They discussed the following:

- *Sections of the strategic plan that fell under the FACE*
- *Past HMG networking activities – discussed possible future*
- *Shared BBB events and data from 2024 – August 2025*
- *Discussed working with DOE on upcoming plans for BBB and coordination*
- *Plan to follow up on Parent Leadership/Advocacy Group – looking at other HMG state models.*
- *Will continue to keep Care Coordination project on agenda – seeking funding*
- *Doodle poll will be sent out for the next meeting – asking members to respond.*

DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

- *Met on Wednesday, October 22nd*
- *Working on HMG Annual Report*
- *Looking at how to integrate 211 data into KIDS COUNT work.*
- *Their next step is to finalize the HMG Annual report.*

HEALTH PROVIDER OUTREACH (HPO)

The committee met on October 22. On their agenda was the following:

- *Outreach to current PEDS Online state-portal users to discuss their screening numbers and the CHADIS platform – resulted in a few new practices expressing interest.*
- *DEAAP Annual Conference on 9/9/25 -included referral agencies such as (B23, Child Find and HMG211). Provided an overview of their programs to pediatricians. Also participated in post-event exhibit reception.*
- *Educate/raise awareness about HMG and community resources and referral agencies by increasing our reach through promoting and cross-promoting with our partners.*
- *Considering developing standard presentations and resources that could be used, as needed, to educate/raise awareness when opportunities arise.*
- *Will create a spreadsheet to track promotion and cross-promotion activities/events.*
- *Collaborate on ROR grant to bring key health messages to 8 new clinics that are providing ROR.*
- *Megan and Dr. Atkinson had site visits to Sussex County ROR practices on 10/16 and New Castle County practices on 11/6.*
- *Partner with UD Center for Disability Studies (CDS) to share Learn the Signs. Act Early. resources and CDC books with providers – books distributed to ROR grant practices.*
- *Develop Pediatric Residency Community Project to increase pediatric residents' knowledge of local community resources.*

PROGRAM UPDATES:

CHADIS Project:

- *We had presentations with pediatric practices implementing the PEDS Online platform – transition to CHADIS.*
- *Just Kids interested in the CHADIS project.*

	• *Bayhealth Pediatrics in Milford has been trained on CHADIS and are using the platform.* • *September 9 – Presentation at the DEAAP Annual conference. It also included the Birth to Three program and Child Find.* • *Working on other ways to get the information out to pediatricians. (e.g. articles in newsletters, etc)* • *Met with Kristina Horton to discuss challenges with Early Childhood Special Education regarding the CHADIS platform.* ***HMG Simulation:*** • *Event held on October 16 in Georgetown, Sussex County.* • *Attendance was low due to timeframe.* • *Participants felt it was a successful event despite the attendance.* • *Planning another in Kent County for next year. Suggested locations*
Conclusion	

	PARTNER UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS • *Ashleigh Hercules inquired about the Vaccine for Children's Program (VFC).* • *She mentioned that AmeriHealth was encountering vaccine gaps due to pediatric practices no longer participating in the program.* • *Megan Hayes (DEAAP) acknowledged that pediatric practices have had challenges with some of the VFC policies and some have chosen not to participate.* • *Paulina mentioned the challenges the VFC has been experiencing due to the federal cuts.* • *She also promised to email Leah Jones, as the immunization program is now under Family Health Systems.* ***Next Meeting is on January 13 @ 10 am.***

Any Other Business and Wrap Up	***Join Zoom Meeting*** *https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81217510537?pwd=wwQfatbLNg32hbRILLBGA0dfohObFy.1* *Meeting ID: 812 1751 0537* *Passcode: 690629*