

Home Child Care Visitors Network Meeting

Wednesday, May 18, 2011

9:00 – 11:00 am

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Highlights:

- ▣ Agency Updates
- ▣ Fire Inspection Changes
- ▣ New training development opportunities

Information, Ideas and Tips Shared:

Update on Activities

- ▣ Meeting was held with St. Catharines Fire Chief and Mayor. Rosemary, Pat & Judy attended. Fire Chief reviewed inspection increases and explained why the increase was necessary – increase relates to cost recovery of service only. This was a very positive meeting. Fire Chief willing to arrange presentations to HCC providers on fire safety.
- ▣ Update on Fire Inspections – Pat will get checklist from the 12 municipalities for the network group to review.

Discussion

Training Opportunities:

- ▣ Discussion regarding the need for training for HCC Providers. Looking at ways that we can bring the groups together to offer training. Pat, Rosemary, Sandy & Judy to set meeting to review. Look at using the Canadian Child Care Federation HCC Training material. Agencies would like to bridge training between agencies using ECCDC.
- ▣ Further training opportunities for HCC Visitors was also discussed. Perhaps some training could be arranged as a customized training for all home visitors. Further discussion will take place at our next meeting.
- ▣ Some suggestions for HCC Visitor training to include – PAS (BAS), CIS, Dealing with Sensitive Issues and appropriate response to HCC Provider.
- ▣ Some training used by Wee Watch in the past has been Amazing Race (HCC Providers learn rules & regulations), True Colours – Mentoring approach. In addition Wee Watch has new tool for rating environment “Reach for the Top”.

Start-Up Training Development

- ▣ Judy will meet with Rosemary, Pat & Sandy to discuss training
- ▣ Region OW training manual – **Chris to bring to next meeting**
- ▣ Loyalist College has an online HCC certificate course. **Pat to review and bring to next meeting**
- ▣ St. John Adult Learning are running HCC training start-up sessions – **Chris will bring information to next meeting**

All About Family Children’s Festival

- ▣ Chris shared information about Folk Arts Festival in Montebello Park May 29th 11 am – 6 pm
- ▣ Children’s festival will take place May 28th 11 am – 8 pm
- ▣ For more information go to www.folk-arts.ca

Work produced, actions taken or decisions reached:

- ▣ Development of training sessions for HCC Providers
- ▣ Development of Start Up Training
- ▣ Response from meeting with Fire Chief & Mayor of St. Catharines
- ▣ Potential customized training for HCC Visitors

Resources required for next meeting:

- ▣ Chris will bring OW Training Manual, (from meeting of Feb. 9)
- ▣ Pat will bring copies of Fire Inspection requirements from 12 Municipalities
- ▣ Pat bring information on Loyalist College (from meeting of Feb. 9)
- ▣ Chris will bring information on St. John Adult Learning Centre HCC Start-Up training (from Feb. 9 meeting)
- ▣ Further discussion on training for HCC Visitors
- ▣ ECCDC resource display
- ▣ Next Meeting date: **Wednesday, October 5, 9:00 – 11:00 am**