

****NOTICE OF MEETING****

STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL- EARLY IDENTIFICATION OF DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INFANTS

Friday, July 28, 2023

12:00-2:30 p.m.

628 North 4th Street – Bienville Building, Room 173 – Baton Rouge, LA

The Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) is a national initiative supporting the early identification of infants who are deaf or hard of hearing through screening, audiological evaluation, enrollment in early intervention and family-to-family support services.

The overarching goal of the support provided through the EHDI program is to maximize opportunities for communicative and linguistic development for children who are deaf or hard of hearing. Without appropriate opportunities to learn language, these children will fall behind their hearing peers in communication, cognition, reading, and social emotional development.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order – *Jill Hudson, Chair*
2. Roll – *Theresa Nicholls, Secretary*
3. Review and Acceptance of Agenda/Minutes – *Jill Hudson, Chair*
 - 7/28/23 Agenda
 - 4/28/23 Minutes
4. EHDI Program Updates – *EHDI Team*
 - Overview – *Dana Hubbard*
 - Outreach
 - Region 9 Collaborative – June 2023
 - Early Head Start Regional Conference – July 2023
 - Diagnosing Audiologists – August 2023
 - Region 2 Collaborative – September 2023
 - Unite Learning Community
 - 2022 Hospital Scorecards – *Dawne McCabe*
5. Committee Updates
 - Congenital cytomegalovirus (cCMV) - *TBD*
 - Act 177 - Provides relative to the standard of care and payment for congenital cytomegalovirus screening of newborns
 - Language Outcomes – *Ashley Argrave-Smith*
 - Human Resources Services Administration Supplement
6. Community Partner Updates
 - Early Steps – *tentative*
 - Hands and Voices (H&V) – *Nicole Deleon*
 - Parent-Pupil Education Program (PPEP) – *Natalie Delgado*
7. New Business
8. Public Comment
9. Adjourn

Next meeting: 10/27/2023 Location: TBD ~ New Orleans, LA

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