

Early Childhood Collaborative Team Profiles - January 2008

Early Childhood Collaborative teams are a group of people at the local level who work together to insure smooth transitions for young children, their families and the agencies serving them. While the membership varies from one community to another, typical Early Childhood Collaborative team members include representatives of families, WV Birth to Three, Early Head Start/Head Start, Public School System, Child Care and other community partners such as Family Resource Networks (FRNs), Starting Points, Health Department, Right From the Start, Educare, etc. Every county has a team such as this. Some refer to them as Early Childhood Collaborative teams. Some refer to them by other names such as TADPOLE, Interagency Council, Early Childhood Committee of the FRN, and so on.

The following provides information on what some of these teams are doing - both their accomplishments and their plans for the coming year. Information is also provided so that you can contact these teams to exchange ideas and share resources. The teams identified here were participants in Early Childhood Collaborative Team Trainings or Networking Sessions since 2001 or have responded with the profile update form. If your team would like to take part in a future Early Childhood Collaborative Team Training, contact the WV Early Childhood Training Connections and Resources at 1/888/983-2827.

Teams Profiled (profiles current as of the date that follows)

1. Barbour Bridges - 12/03
2. Berkeley County Operation TADPOLE - 1/06
3. Boone Early Childhood Committee of the Regional FRN - 11/03
4. Braxton County - No Profile Available
5. Brooke County TADPOLE Committee - 11/03
6. Cabell County TADPOLE Team - 6/06
7. Calhoun County TADPOLE Team - 11/03
8. Clay County TADPOLE Team - 10/02
9. Doddridge County TADPOLE Team - 11/06
10. Fayette County Early Intervention Council - 11/06
11. Gilmer County TADPOLE Team - 6/06
12. Grant County TADPOLE Team - 1/06
13. Greenbrier County, Early Childhood Committee of - 8/04
14. Hampshire County TADPOLE Committee - 1/06
15. Hancock County TADPOLE Team - 1/05
16. Hardy County TADPOLE Team - 1/06
17. Harrison County Preschool Interagency Task Force - 11/06
18. Jackson County TADPOLE Team - 11/03
19. Jefferson County Early Childhood Collaborative Team - 1/06
20. Kanawha County TADPOLE Team - 6/06
21. Lewis County Interagency Team - 6/06
22. Lincoln County Early Childhood Interagency Team - 6/06
23. Logan County Interagency Council - 8/04
24. Marion County Early Childhood Interagency Council - 11/06
25. Marshall County OPERATION TADPOLE - 6/06

26. Mason County TADPOLE Team - 11/04
27. McDowell County Next Steps Network - 6/06
28. Mercer County Early Childhood Alliance - 6/06
29. Mineral County - 6/06
30. Mingo County Early Childhood Transition Council - 6/06
31. Monongalia County Early Childhood Committee - 11/06
32. Monroe County Early Childhood Collaborative - 1/02
33. Morgan County TADPOLE - 1/06
34. Nicholas Early Learning Collaborative - 3/06
35. Ohio County TADPOLE Team - 11/06
36. Pendleton County TADPOLE Team - 1/06
37. Pleasants County TADPOLE Team - 11/06
38. Pocahontas County TADPOLE Team - 11/06
39. Preston County TADPOLE Team - 1/06
40. Putnam Young Child Task Team of the Regional FRN - 11/03
41. Raleigh County TADPOLE Team - 6/06
42. Randolph County CHILD - 11/06
43. Ritchie County Collaborative Team - 1/05
44. Roane County Pre-k Collaborative - 11/06
45. Summers County TADPOLE Team - 1/02
46. Taylor County Operation TADPOLE Team - 6/06
47. Tyler County - No Profile Available
48. Tucker County Birth to Five - 11/03
49. Upshur County SEED - 12/03
50. Wayne County Operation TADPOLE Team - 6/06
51. Webster County Preschool Interagency Council - 11/06
52. Wetzel County TADPOLE Team - 1/02
53. Wirt County TADPOLE Team - 11/06
54. Wood County Early Childhood Coalition - 11/06
55. Wyoming County Early Education Network - 4/02

Topical Reference Guide

This lists collaboration accomplishments and plans and teams addressing them as described in the profiles contained in this document. This reference guide was developed to help you, the reader, in identifying teams with which you might want to network to get information on topics of mutual interest. It should be noted that these accomplishments and plans are not necessarily representative of all that these teams have done but rather reflective of those things that they identified on their profiles.

Collaboration Accomplishments and Current Priorities	Teams
Collaborative Agreements and Procedures	Barbour, Berkeley, Brooke, Cabell, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hampshire, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Taylor, Tucker, Upshur, Wayne, Webster, Wirt, Wood
Effective Collaborative Teams	Berkeley, Cabell, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Harrison, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Marion, Marshall, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Mineral, Monongalia, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Preston, Raleigh, Randolph, Roane, Taylor, Wayne, Webster, Wirt, Wood
Public Awareness, Child Find and Screening	Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Brooke, Cabell, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hampshire, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Taylor, Tucker, Upshur, Wayne, Webster, Wetzels, Wirt, Wood
Quality Services for All	Berkeley, Cabell, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Harrison, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Marion, Marshall, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Mineral, Monongalia, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Raleigh, Randolph, Roane, Taylor, Wayne, Webster, Wirt, Wood

Transition and Continuity	Barbour, Berkeley, Brooke, Cabell, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hampshire, Hardy, Harrison, Hancock, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Taylor, Tucker, Upshur, Wayne, Webster, Wirt, Wood, Wyoming
Family Involvement and Support	Berkeley, Boone, Brooke, Cabell, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Hampshire, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Logan, Marion, Marshall, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Roane, Taylor, Upshur, Wayne, Webster, Wetzels, Wirt, Wood
Confidentiality	Berkeley, Cabell, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Harrison, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Marion, Marshall, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monongalia, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Raleigh, Randolph, Roane, Taylor, Wayne, Webster, Wirt, Wood
Resource Sharing	Berkeley, Boone, Cabell, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Hampshire, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Preston, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Taylor, Tucker, Upshur, Wayne, Webster, Wirt, Wood
Personnel Standards and Professional Development	Berkeley, Cabell, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hampshire, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Taylor, Upshur, Wayne, Webster, Wirt, Wood
Data Collection and Sharing	Cabell, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Harrison, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Marion, Marshall, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monongalia, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Preston, Raleigh, Roane, Taylor, Wayne, Webster, Wirt, Wood

Barbour Bridges

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Participating Agencies: RESA VIII WV Birth to Three West; Barbour County Schools; NCWVCAA Head Start; Right from the Start; and ABC's and 123's

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency agreement, policies, procedures, and forms
- (b) Face to face process
- (c) Consultation to facilitate information sharing
- (d) Follow up after initiation of services
- (e) Story time with Santa for birth to five
- (f) Teddy Bear picnic
- (g) Spring screening annually

Berkeley County Operation TADPOLE

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Participating Agencies: Berkeley County Schools, Head Start, WV Birth to Three, Cooperative Extension Service, WIC, City Hospital, PERC, Teachers Pets, James Ramsey Technical Institute, East Ridge

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Children's Day at the Mall
- (d) Quality services for all - peer models in all universal pre-k classrooms
- (e) Transition and continuity - need to expand transition into child care
- (f) Family involvement and support - multi-lingual forms, interpreters
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development - trainings are open to collaborative agencies

Boone County Operation TADPOLE

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Participating Agencies: United Way of Central WV LifeBridge Early Childhood Program, which includes, Parents as Teachers; United Way of Central WV LifeBridge Americorps and Americorps*VISTA; Black Diamond Girl Scout Council; and Appalachian Council Head Start

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Boone County has a general resource guide available at www.regionalfnrn.org/boonequikguide.pdf
- (b) Family Times is held once a month during the school year in the Van/Wharton area, in the evening, to bring families and children together for information and fun family activities.
- (c) Funding from Safe and Drug Free Schools, WV Community Voices and the Madison Danville Area Community Foundation was secured to support Family Times.
- (d) Kiddie Health Fair and Success by Six Early Childhood Initiative
- (e) "Going Buggy" summer camp

Brooke County TADPOLE Committee

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Participating Agencies: Brooke County Schools, Easter Seals, Head Start, Healthways, Starting Points

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Lil' Bear Fair
- (b) Informational TADPOLE Agency Flyer
- (c) 2 yearly screenings for free
- (d) Child Find forms
- (e) Interagency Agreement

Cabell County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Cabell County Schools (Family Connection); River Valley Child Development Services - WV Birth to Three Program; Link Child Care Resource and Referral; TEAM for WV Children; Developmental Therapy Center Inc.; and Southwestern Community Action Council

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaboration agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality

- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Calhoun County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Preschool; Head Start; WV Birth to Three; and Parent Educator Resource Center

Clay County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: River Valley Child Development Services - WV Birth to Three, Clay County Schools, and Head Start

Doddridge County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Head Start, Doddridge County Schools, PreK Teachers, Starting Points, WV Birth to Three, PERC

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative Agreements and Procedures - working on overall interagency agreement
- (b) Effective Collaborative Teams - need administrative support - need ground rules and purpose
- (c) Public Awareness, Child Find and Screening - need collaborative screening/child find
Preschool/Kindergarten Screening, Head Start, PAT, Even Start, Daydreams
- (d) Transition and Continuity - need transition procedures and demographic sharing
- (e) Resource Sharing

Fayette County Early Intervention Council

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Participating Agencies: Fayette County Schools, Head Start, A Place to Grow Child Care, WV Birth to Three, Starting Points, DHHR, PERC, parent, Pre-k Teachers, MIHOW, Superintendent

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures - need procedures, have agreement

- (b) Effective collaborative teams - establish ground rules and team roles
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening - Kiddie Fair, need universal referral form
- (d) Quality services for all - collaborative pre-k and IEPs
- (e) Transition and continuity - transition out of pre-k to K
- (f) Family involvement and support - collaborative parent trainings
- (g) Confidentiality - collaborative training for staff and families
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing - CC.net

Gilmer County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Gilmer County FRN; Gilmer County Schools (Inclusive Preschool and Birth Start); Gilmer County Head Start; Glenville State College (Early Education and Nursing programs); Gilmer County Health Department; United Summit Center; Gilmer County WIC; and CHIP County Coalition

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency agreement
- (b) Referrals from United Summit Center to Gilmer County Preschool prior to child's third birthday
- (c) Birth Start program which provides extended transition from home to school for both parent and child
- (d) Numerous opportunities for transition from Head Start and preschool to kindergarten
- (e) Newspaper articles and announcements about collaborative events
- (f) Brochure for Gilmer County Preschool placed in physicians' offices, Health Department, dentists' offices, grocery stores, library, etc.
- (g) Brochure for Birth Start placed in locations listed above
- (h) Brochure for Interagency Birth to Preschool Screening and Preschool Enrollment
- (i) Annual Interagency Birth to Preschool Screening includes:
 - Preschool enrollment
 - Developmental screenings for cognitive and motor areas
 - Speech and language screening
 - Hearing and vision evaluations
 - Dental check up
 - Health check up for height, weight, blood pressure
 - Immunization consultation
 - Finger printing
- (j) Annual Meet Your Teacher Day - children enrolled in preschool or Head Start come to their respective schools to meet the teacher and see their classrooms. Children who did not attend county screening may be screened for developmental areas, vision, hearing, and speech.

- (k) Gilmer county schools offer numerous opportunities for staff development that public school teachers, Head Start staff, parents, and GSC education students may attend. The following are some of the staff development offered in 2002-03:
- WV Required Immunizations for Head Start and Public Schools provided by Becky Warder, school nurse
 - Reading Aloud to Young Children, by Nancy McVaney
 - Math, Make It-Take It, by Kathy Turner
 - Earth Day: Recycle, Make It-Take It, by Joyce Jarrell-Hicks
- (l) PATS (Parents Assisting Teachers at School) offers an opportunity for parents and children to participate in a read-aloud and related cooking activity. Each child receives a copy of the book.
- (m) Birth Start provides weekly two hour sessions for children, birth through three years old, and their parents to come to the public schools for social play, read-aloud, art exploration, and nutritious snacks.
- (n) Parents are invited to attend staff development workshops presented periodically throughout the year, some of which are listed above under staff development.
- (o) Family Resource Network provides opportunities for parents to work collaboratively with county agencies with a focus on early education.
- (p) Head Start students are transported by Head Start bus to Glenville Elementary School to receive speech/language therapy provided by county school system.

Grant County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: EACHS Head Start; Grant County Schools

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures - have agreements, need procedures
- (b) Working towards an effective collaborative team
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support - current priority
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development - web page with county schools
- (j) Data collection and sharing - current priority

Early Childhood Committee of Greenbrier County

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Participating Agencies: WV Birth to Three, Greenbrier County Schools Part B Preschool Special Needs, Head Start/4 year old preschool, Family Resource Network, Parents as Teachers, Right from the Start, Cradle Club at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center, New Greenbrier Preschool, First Steps Preschool, WIC, MountainHeart Child Care Services, Department of Health and Human Resources, Regional Administrative Unit for Birth to Three and First Care Services, Seneca Trail Christian Academy and Open Doors.

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency agreements in place between the participating agencies
- (b) Transition procedures are in place between Birth to Three and school system
- (c) Longevity of our group
- (d) Work well together and compliment each other
- (e) Public awareness - resource directory of children services updated yearly and distribution of early childhood materials from a variety of sources that goes to committee members to give to their parents
- (f) Child Find/Screening/Evaluation - Head Start and Preschool screenings which include developmental, speech, vision and hearing - MountainHeart Child Care Services conducts vision screenings
- (g) Collaborative Staff Development - host an annual Early Childhood Conference
- (h) Celebrating Connections attendance
- (i) We have 4 integrated preschool/Head Start classrooms
- (j) Family involvement
- (k) Kindergarten screening information distribution
- (l) We are the planning and development committee for the Pre-k program

Hampshire County TADPOLE Committee

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Participating Agencies: Head Start, DHHR, Child Care Center, Hampshire County Schools, WV Birth to Three

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative Agreements and Procedures - need to develop
- (b) Effective Collaborative Teams - need to include Birth to Three and School for the Deaf and Blind
- (c) Public Awareness, Child Find and Screening - need to develop a plan
- (d) Quality Services for All
- (e) Transition and Continuity - need Birth to Three, child care, and School for the Deaf and Blind
- (f) Family Involvement and Support - need to develop collaborative plan among all agencies
- (g) Confidentiality - need to develop collaborative authorization for release of information
- (h) Resource Sharing
- (i) Personnel Standards and Professional Development
- (j) Data Collection and Sharing - need a county wide process developed

Hancock County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Hancock County Schools Preschool, Easter Seals, Head Start, DHHR, and Care Coordinators/Providers

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency Agreement between DHHR, Head Start, and Easter Seals
- (b) Transition procedures
- (b) Brochure on Hancock County Programs
- (c) Referral postcard
- (d) Increase referrals to expand our numbers and find unidentified children in our community
- (e) Public Awareness
- (f) Increase our TADPOLE members
- (f) Increase screenings to twice a year
- (g) Current priorities collaborative staff development and blended services.

Hardy County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: EACHS Head Start, Hardy County Schools, Hardy County Child Care, WV Birth to Three, DHHR, Nutrition for Home Child Care Providers, Hardy County Nursery School

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures - develop procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Update pamphlets and develop child find activities
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity - work on transitions from day care to Head Start and Schools
- (f) Parent involvement, support and resources from BOE, DHHR and Head Start
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Personnel standards and procedures
- (i) Data collection and sharing - need formal process

Harrison County Preschool Interagency Task Force

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Participating Agencies: Harrison County Schools, WV Birth to Three, Head Start, Child Care, Choices CCR&R

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity - developing new procedures and templates
- (f) Family involvement and support - training to share resources and ideas
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development - need as a collaborative group to share and blend resources
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Jackson County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Jackson County WIC, Connect Child Care Resource and Referral, Jackson County Schools, Family Development Inc. Head Start, Jackson County Health Department, River Valley Child Development Services, Jackson County Even Start, Jackson County Family Nutrition, Possibilities, Ann Suprano, Wood County ARC, Parent, and Jackson County FRN

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency agreement in place with Head Start/BOE - in process for 0-3/BOE
- (b) Transition procedures in process 0-3/BOE
- (c) Newspaper ads, Baby Bags at Hospitals, brochures
- (d) County wide developmental screening, clinic with all partners
- (e) Collaborative Staff Development - Understanding Poverty/Poverty Simulation
- (f) Parent representative from Even Start and Head Start

Jefferson County Early Childhood Collaborative Team

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Participating Agencies: WIC, Children First CDC, Head Start, Jefferson County Schools, WV Birth to Three

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening

- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Kanawha County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Kanawha County Schools, Kanawha County Head Start, WV Birth to Three, Universal Pre-K, PERC, Preschool Special Needs

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening - billfold size agency card with phone numbers, doctor referral prescription pad
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support - home visits, conferences
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing - CC.net, IEP progress reports to parents

Lewis County Interagency Team

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Participating Agencies: Lewis County Board of Education; WV Birth to Three; Pre-K, PERC, MountainHeart and Head Start

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find, and screening - working on redesign of child find
- (d) Quality services for all - ongoing priority
- (e) Transition and continuity - current priority transitioning from WV Birth to Three and ongoing training by local TADPOLE
- (f) Family involvement and support - inclusive packets
- (g) Confidentiality

- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing - current priority gathering of information from WV Birth to Three

Lincoln County Early Childhood Interagency Team

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Participating Agencies: Lincoln County Board of Education; Head Start; River Valley Child Development Services; Kids Place III and Starting Points

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Resource sharing
- (g) Personnel standards and professional development

Logan County Interagency Council

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Participating Agencies: Logan County Schools; Logan-Mingo Area Mental Health, Inc.; WV Birth to Three; and P.R.I.D.E. in Logan County Head Start

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Have been working together as a team since 1992
- (b) Interagency agreement
- (c) Have child find and screenings together
- (d) Have special education services on-site at the Head Start facilities
- (e) Collaboration - sharing between Head Start and Title I Pre-K
- (f) Less stressful/more successful transitions from WV Birth to Three.
- (g) Revitalize the existing Interagency Council - members, meetings, vision, etc.
- (h) Develop a common philosophy/vision and project this to the community through brochures, child find activities and community events
- (i) Addressing kindergarten transitions
- (j) Listed public awareness as an objective on action plan
- (k) Developing ways to improve activity and increase participation in child find/screenings
- (l) Revitalize collaborative staff development participation
- (m) Develop ways to increase participation on the Interagency Council beyond the key agencies

Marion County Early Childhood Interagency Council

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Participating Agencies: Head Start, Child Care, Marion County Special Ed, Marion County Schools, WV Birth to Three, Title I

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures - need procedures, updating collaborative agreement
- (b) Effective collaborative teams - active team
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all - county wide curriculum - ECERS - need more inclusive settings and enhancement of gross motor
- (e) Transition and continuity - need work on WV BTT to school system
- (f) Family involvement and support - using family involvement packet
- (g) Confidentiality - use collaborative release form, procedures in place
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development - cross train
- (j) Data collection and sharing - using ECERS for evaluation

Marshall County OPERATION TADPOLE

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Participating Agencies: WV Birth to Three, Head Start, Marshall County Schools, Starting Points, PAT, Child Care Resource Center, and Parents

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative Agreements and Procedures - revised interagency agreement July 05
- (b) Effective Collaborative Teams - elected officers
- (c) Public Awareness, Child Find and Screening - screening before entering Head Start
- (d) Quality Services for All -
- (e) Transition and Continuity - track and monitor, PAT families to Head Start or PreK
- (f) Family Involvement and Support - 2 parents sit on TADPOLE Board
- (g) Confidentiality -
- (h) Resource Sharing - share info at meetings
- (i) Personnel Standards and Professional Development - signed up to attend team training
- (j) Data Collection - monitor and track, families are shared and referred during TADPOLE meetings

Mason County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Mason County BOE, WV Birth to Three RAU, WV Birth to Three Service Coordinators, Early Head Start, Head Start, child development centers

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency Agreement (transition agreement between WV Birth to Three and Part B)
- (b) In the process of regrouping and rebuilding the team

McDowell County Next Steps Network

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Participating Agencies: McDowell County Board of Education; McDowell County Head Start Program; Catholic Community Services/Wee Care Family Center, Small World Child Care Center, DHHR

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality service for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Mercer County Early Childhood Alliance

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Participating Agencies: Mercer County Health Department; CASE WV Programs (Right from the Start, Head Start, Starting Points, Healthy Families America, Princeton and Concord Child Development Centers); Community Connections, Inc (Mercer's FRN); Mercer County Schools, WV Birth to Three Program; MountainHeart Community Services; Mary's Cradle Maternal and Infant Resource Center; Concord University; Mother Goose Child Care Co-Op; Department of Health and Human Resources; Child Protect of Mercer County; WVU Extension Service; Bluefield State College and Parents

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures completed in 2005, still obtaining all required signatures
- (b) Effective Collaborative Teams: Early Childhood Alliance, Kiddie Fair Planning Committee
- (c) Annual Kiddie Fair serves 400 children; ongoing educational campaigns such as "Back to Sleep", CHIP, Anti-smoking, literacy, and immunizations
- (d) Quality services for all focus of Mercer County Schools with involvement of ECA
- (e) Transition planning completed with interagency agreement - work on face to face meetings
- (f) Family involvement and support provided through and by Healthy Families, WV Birth to Three, Starting Points, and Mary's Cradle - work on enhancing quality
- (g) Monthly ECA meetings, website, lending library
- (h) Diversity Schoolhouse, Family Centered Practice, Healthy Families America, and other ECA trainings
- (i) Annual needs assessment, key informant surveys

Mineral County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Mineral County Schools, Mineral County Pre-K Head Start, WV Birth to Three, Right from the Start, WIC, MountainHeart Child Care, Family Resource Network, Small World School and Day Care, and Mineral County Health Department

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Existing community partnership agreements currently exist between Head Start and the FRN, Birth to Three, and Mineral County Schools - our goal is to improve communication and collaboration among all of our partners
- (b) Mineral County offers Universal Pre-K throughout the county with 12 Pre-K Head Start classrooms, 3 preschool special needs classrooms, and 3 contractual child care classrooms
- (c) All agencies participate in Pre-K Head Start's Day in the Park - the team is currently planning participation in Mineral County's Parenting Fair, co-sponsored by the MCFRN and Energy Express
- (d) The team has discussed concerns over the need to reach Hispanics, a new minority in our county - the team discussed the need for an ESL class as well as ways to provide outreach to these families
- (e) Current transition policies exist between Birth to Three and Pre-K Head Start and Pre-K Head Start and Mineral County Schools
- (f) The Pre-K Head Start program offers a Community Resource Directory
- (g) The Mineral County Pre-K Head Start program is sponsoring a two-day workshop titled "I am Moving, I am Learning" - all local child care providers and agencies providing services to children and families have been invited to attend at no cost

Mingo County Early Childhood Transition Council

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Participating Agencies: Mingo County Head Start; WV Birth to Three; and Mingo County Board of Education, PERC

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Monongalia County Early Childhood Committee

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Participating Agencies: Child Care Resource Center, Starting Points, PERC, WV Birth to Three, Head Start, Early Head Start, Parent

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative Agreements and Procedures
- (b) Effective Collaborative Teams - need ground rules - additional members
- (c) Public Awareness, Child Find and Screening
- (d) Quality Services for All - issue of serving three year olds
- (e) Transition and Continuity - need procedures to make it family friendly
- (f) Family Involvement and Support -
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource Sharing
- (i) Personnel Standards and Professional Development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Monroe County Early Childhood Collaborative

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Participating Agencies: Head Start; Monroe County FRN; Monroe County Schools (Preschool Special Education and Elementary Education); FMRS - WV Birth to Three; Monroe County Day Care; and Monroe County Schools Title I Parents as Teachers Program

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Our Teaming for Learning with the Community (TLC) collaborative process
- (b) County-wide Kiddie Fair
- (c) Move-Up Day
- (d) Wellness Newsletter
- (e) Our collaborative grant acquisitions. In addition to this, our team returned from Tadpole training with a renewed sense of purpose and direction. We are now the official Monroe County Early Childhood Collaborative. However, we were not able to meet as an entire collaborative until November. When we did, the meeting lasted all day with a covered dish lunch. We laid out concerns and individual agendas and came to the same conclusion we had in Charleston - that child find is our most critical area.
- (f) Improve child find
- (g) Develop brochure for families and physicians on child services
- (h) Build strong relationships with health care providers
- (i) Expand services for non-served four year olds
- (j) Once we were comfortable on our collective goal, we became totally focused on ways to find more children and screen them for identified needs, so this goal is the one we are actively working on. Once we have this spring's child find accomplished, we intend to advance on items g-i (as listed above) and seek grants/outside funding to help us serve hard-to-reach parents and their children in their homes.

Morgan County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Hospital, SVMS, CASA, WIC, Head Start, School System, Starting Points, MountainHeart, WV Birth to Three, DHHR, and Child Care

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Developing a universal agreement that is more specific
- (b) Effective collaborative teams - need to improve and make more formal
- (c) Need to develop public awareness database, brochures and county fair
- (d) Quality services for all - Need to incorporate child care and Birth to Three
- (e) Transition and continuity - work with Head Start, agencies and Birth to Three to develop procedures
- (f) Family involvement and support - need to involve more agencies and develop database, connect with chamber of commerce, DHHR, and Health Department
- (g) Need a collaborative release form
- (h) Resource sharing - increase the amount of activities
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development - take advantage of trainings at the school level
- (j) Find ways to do data collection

Nicholas Early Learning Collaborative

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Participating Agencies: Nicholas County Schools, Head Start, Friends R Fun Child Development Center, Starting Points, Preschool Parent, Dept of Health and Human Resources, Family Resource Network, MountainHeart Child Care Services, and WV Birth to Three

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements - continue to develop greater communication among the partners - develop a procedures manual
- (b) Effective collaborative teams (registration, curriculum, needs assessment, staff development, screenings, and public awareness) - establish Universal Pre-k and full implementation of Policy 2525 in the most efficient manner
- (c) Annual collaborative preschool registration - advertisement in local paper - develop additional methods to reach all pre-k children and families - develop brochure outlining available services
- (d) Quality services for all - 5 blended sites between BOE and HS - 2 blended sites between BOE and child care - 1 BOE, HS, child care site - 4 Head Start centers - 2 BOE Pre-k classes - working toward universal service
- (e) All children in non-BOE sites visit BOE kindergarten classes prior to end of Pre-k year before entrance into kindergarten - developing plan to implement Policy 2525's requirements
- (f) Family involvement and support - 2 face to face meetings required - each center schedules other activities involving the families of their students - increase/strengthen parent involvement in classrooms
- (g) All records kept in secure, locked sites - financial and other sensitive info blacked out when shared - all sites will follow HIPPA and FERPA regulations
- (h) Maximizing existing community, state, and federal resources by blending services at a majority of WV Pre-k sites - working towards monthly collaborative team meetings and informing members of upcoming staff developments
- (i) All employees of collaborative team members are enrolled in the STARS registry - working towards all personnel meeting the standards as outlined in Policy 2525
- (j) All data collected is shared as needed - procedure to do this more uniformly is being developed

Ohio County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Head Start, Child Care, Preschool Special Needs, Preschool

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedure
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening

- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Pendleton County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Pendleton County Schools; EACHS Head Start; WV Birth to Three; Pendleton PERC;

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Need universal agreement with all team members and need to utilize website to develop procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening - need to update pamphlets to include changes in Birth to Three
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity - need written policies, need transition contacts written in agreement
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development - need to work on sharing professional development resources
- (j) Data collection and sharing - need a system rather than communicating in isolated incidents

Pleasants County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Pleasants County Schools, Head Start

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support

- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Pocahontas County Early Childhood Collaborative

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Participating Agencies: Pocahontas County Board of Education, School Days Child Care, North Central Community Action Head Start, WV Birth to Three, WV DHHR, Kids First Child Care, MountainHeart CCR&R

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures - need to create overall agreement
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Personnel standards and professional development
- (i) Data collection and sharing

Preston County TADPOLE Team

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Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative Agreements and Procedures
- (b) Effective Collaborative Teams - meet each month
- (c) Public Awareness, Child Find and Screening - STAND for Children Day, Screenings held in the fall
- (d) Transition and Continuity - current priority
- (e) Family Involvement and Support - STAND for Children Day
- (f) Resource Sharing - meet with three other counties on a monthly basis to share resources and news of upcoming events
- (g) Personnel Standards and Professional Development - Starting Points is an ACDS workplace
- (h) Data Collection and Sharing - current priority

Putnam Young Child Task Team of the Regional FRN

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Participating Agencies: United Way of Central WV (Parents as Teachers and Americorps*VISTA); Ready, Set, Go Preschool; Tabernacle of Praise; Appalachian Council Head Start; and Putnam County Schools

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency Agreement and policies/procedures
- (b) Public Awareness activities/materials
- (c) Family involvement
- (d) Blended Services

Raleigh County TADPOLE Team (A Committee of the Raleigh County FRN)

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Participating Agencies: Parents; Raleigh County Schools Preschool Special Needs Program; Early Literacy/Title I; Raleigh County Community Action Association, Head Start; Even Start and Parents as Teachers Consortium; WV Birth to Three; Raleigh County PERC; WV Public Broadcasting; and MountainHeart Child Care Resource and Referral

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures - establish overall interagency agreement
- (b) B to 3 transition plan to PSN is posted on BTT website, B to 3 transition plan to Head Start is in final stages of revision and completion, Head Start to K transition plan has been written and is waiting approval
- (c) Countywide use of the Community Service Information Video and DVD, Interagency Information Brochure, Raleigh County Preschool Expo provides dental, hearing, vision, speech and developmental screenings for all children, use of Physician's Referral pads, countywide use of the Tadpole Team Referral form
- (d) Confidentiality secured by universal agreement of all agencies
- (e) Creation of a compiled catalogue of resources, services, and materials has been suggested.
- (f) Each participating agency offers parent-child activities and parent training, preschool expo offers a unique opportunity for parents and children to participate in activities together and also receive suggested activities to do at home
- (g) Two days of comprehensive in service training was offered to all agency staff members in 8/05, ongoing staff development will be offered in 12/05 and 2/06.

Randolph County CHILD

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Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures - have current agreement, need procedures for collaborative classroom operations
- (b) Effective collaborative teams - need to define team roles and new member orientation
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening - restructure community screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support - collaborative parent training
- (g) Confidentiality - consistent use of collaborative authorization
- (h) Resource sharing - collaborative programs
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development - collaborative trainings and teacher meetings

Ritchie County Collaborative Team

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Participating Agencies: Ritchie County Schools, Ritchie County Head Start, Small Beginnings Christian Child Care Center, Ritchie County FRN, Ritchie County DHHR, WV Birth to Three, Choices Child Care Resource and Referral, and Glenville State College

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency agreement - plan achieved approval from WVDOE for 2003-04 and 2004-05
- (b) Contract between Birth to Three and Ritchie County Schools
- (c) Transition into preschool is accommodated through the screening (all teachers and agencies participate) and home visits for new students
- (d) Developed Early Childhood Brochure and have publications in local newspapers and flyers sent home with school and Head Start students
- (e) 2 collaborative screenings are conducted annually for children 3-5
- (f) Collaborative Staff Development - Celebrating Connections, ECERS Training, Creative Curriculum Training, Head Start Fall Conference, RESA V Early Childhood Workshop, Christmas Field Trip
- (g) Family involvement is a targeted area of attention
- (h) Blended services and funding for Creative Curriculum, Christmas Field Trip, Assessment Collaboration Training

Roane County Pre-k Collaborative

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Participating Agencies: Roane County Schools, Head Start, Building Blocks Child Development Center, WV Birth to Three, FRN, and Department of Health and Human Resources

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Summers County TADPOLE Team

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Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Awarded Educare grant
- (b) Opened an Educare public school 4 year old preschool
- (c) Conducted screenings and transition activities
- (d) Meet monthly at a regular and extended time with a defined agenda and a membership structure including consumers and in-home day care providers and a working committee structure
- (e) Develop interagency agreements with transition timelines

Taylor County Operation TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Taylor County Board of Education; WV Birth to Three; Head Start; DHHR and Starting Points Center

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Tucker County Birth to Five

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Participating Agencies: RESA VIII WV Birth to Three West; Tucker County Schools; Head Start; Creative Beginnings; Right from the Start; Early Head Start; FRN; Tucker County Health Department; St George Medical Clinic; Bright Beginnings Child Care Center; Parents; Starting Points Center; and other community members

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency agreement, policies, procedures, and forms working on Universal Pre-K
- (b) Transition plan adopted by Birth to Five and approved by Tucker County Schools
- (c) Family Resource Sheet
- (d) All trainings are open to various agencies and community members
- (e) Story Time with Santa
- (f) Teddy Bear picnic
- (g) Yearly Early Childhood Festival
- (h) Integrated day care/preschool settings
- (i) Monthly family literacy activities
- (j) Committed Universal Pre-K team

Upshur County SEED

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Participating Agencies: RESA VIII WV Birth to Three West; Upshur County Schools; Upshur Human Resources, Inc Head Start; Child Development Center; Christian Fellowship Church Early Learning Center; and Right from the Start

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Interagency agreement
- (b) Face to face planning process for full teams
- (c) Visitations to placement options and kindergarten
- (d) Story Time with Santa for birth to five
- (e) Teddy Bear picnic
- (f) Annual Spring screening
- (g) Head Start has opened cooperative with Glenville State for college course work to day cares
- (h) Staff from member agencies providing support and training for family groups
- (i) Integrated (fully) classrooms in local daycare
- (j) Upshur County Schools shares training opportunities during school inservice days
- (k) Consultation between sending and receiving agencies in child specific strategies for therapies
- (l) Follow up after initiation of new services

Wayne County Operation TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Wayne County Board of Education; PERC; River Valley Child Development Services-WV Birth to Three; Starting Points; Title I; Team for WV Children; DHHR; Playmates Child Care; Link Child Care Resource and Referral; Family Resource Center and Head Start

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Webster County Preschool Interagency Council

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Participating Agencies: WV Birth to Three, Mt Cap Child Development Center, Head Start, Even Start, Webster County Schools, FRN, WIC, Starting Points

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative Agreements and Procedures - update agreement and write procedures
- (b) Effective Collaborative Teams - want to add parents and medical personnel to team
- (c) Public Awareness, Child Find and Screening
- (d) Quality Services for All - continuing work toward Universal services
- (e) Transition and Continuity - continue Move-In and Move-Up days
- (f) Family Involvement and Support - hope to develop a Pre-k Advisory Council
- (g) Confidentiality - ongoing training for all staff
- (h) Resource Sharing - want to expand on current sharing
- (i) Personnel Standards and Professional Development
- (j) Data Collection and Sharing - will collaborate with Head Start in use of their assessment

Wetzel County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Wetzel County Schools (Preschool Special Needs, Early Start, HELP Center, Even Start, Parents As Teachers); Easter Seals; Head Start; and Early Head Start

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Baby Packets
- (b) Brochures/Bookmarks
- (c) Family A-Fair
- (d) Establish an "outreach" facility for Wetzel County Center for Children and Families

Wirt County TADPOLE Team

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Participating Agencies: Wirt County Schools, WV Birth to Three, Head Start

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening
- (d) Quality services for all
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing

- (i) Personnel standards and professional development
- (j) Data collection and sharing

Wood County Early Childhood Coalition

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Participating Agencies: Wood County Schools, Head Start, FRN, DHHR, Choices CCR&R, MOVHD, WVBTT, Unicare, Right from the Start, WIC

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Collaborative agreements and procedures
- (b) Effective collaborative teams
- (c) Public awareness, child find and screening - outstanding PALS (birth to four screening), need to update service brochure
- (d) Quality services for all - serving 520 pre-k children
- (e) Transition and continuity
- (f) Family involvement and support
- (g) Confidentiality
- (h) Resource sharing
- (i) Personnel standards and professional development - sharing staff development
- (j) Data collection and sharing - screenings and referrals

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Participating Agencies: Wyoming County Schools; Head Start; Early Head Start; Mountain Heart Child Care Services; and WV Birth to Three

Accomplishments and/or Current Priorities:

- (a) Team with a history of many accomplishments
- (b) Working on identifying a curriculum for use in both Head Start and public schools