***Maryland SEFEL Pyramid Model Monthly Leadership Meeting***

*Date | time* Tuesday October 6th, 2020 | 11:30 PM – 1:00 PM | *Location* WebEx Link

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| **Attendance:**Margo Candelaria, UMB SSW; Mandy Feeney, Cecil County Public Schools; Ashley Fehringer, UMB SSW; Robyn Graham; Harford County Public Schools; Janette Guerra, MSDE; Tresa Hanna, MSDE; Tanasia Hazelton, UMB SSW; Kelly Hutter, The Promise Resource Center; Angelique Kane, UMB SSW; Debbie Langer, MSDE; Mai Hall, The Parent’s Place of Maryland; Sheila Maness, Prince George’s Child Resource Center; Angie McRae, Maryland Coalition of Families; Kim Nwosu, Howard County Public Schools; Lydia Jones-Nun, Prince Georges’ County Public Schools; Candace Place, Anne Arundel Community College; Jean Raymond, Anne Arundel County Public Schools; Steve Rohde, Maryland Family Network; Lisa Spera, UMB SSW; Kate Sweeney Wasserman, UMB SSW;  D’Lisa Worthy, Behavioral Health Administration |
| **Meeting Minutes from August Reviewed and Ratified.** |
| **SLT Member Organization Report Out on Current Activities:*** D’Lisa reported that she had facilitated Howard County’s Head Start Pyramid Model Training. D’Lisa shared that participants were responsive, and they shared information about classroom adaptions for Covid-19.
* Jean reported that Anne Arundel County welcomed some students back to three special education centers after 49 families requested services. The county plans to continue increasing face to face learning.
* Candace reported that Anne Arundel Community College began developing a social emotional program for Hispanic families in the Judy Center at Belgrove and will be providing virtual training. She also reported that their Child Development Center closed permanently due to funding.
* Kym reported that the Howard Community College Community Development Center had also closed. Her center provides a combination of in-person and virtual training and consultation for childcare providers.
* Kelly reported that the most childcare providers in the southern Maryland region had asked her team for in-person trainings. Consultants still having difficulty with virtual observations. The Promise Resource Center is making accommodations for providers that prefer offering virtual services.
* Steve reported that Maryland Family Network is making efforts to report on childcare engagement, and that numbers of occupied slots are hard to track. Overall, families are expressing deep concern about their children returning to group settings.
* Sheila reported that the Prince George’s County provided $2M in CARES dollars to support child care centers in the county to reopen. The Prince George’s County Child Resource Center (PGCRC) also conducted contactless resource pick-up for providers. The center continues to conduct virtual trainings and SEFEL refreshers.
* Lydia reported that Prince George’s County Public Schools is placing mental health consultants in elementary (including Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten), middle and high schools. The goal is to assign at least one consultant to each school.
* Debbie reported that MSDE launched a 45-hour 0-3 Infant and Toddler Critical competencies training series.
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| **Discussed the NCPMI Targeted TA** * MSDE-selected trainers (Kate Sweeney Wasserman and Ashley Fehringer from UMB SSW and Maria Horen from MSDE) will begin receiving this training on October 27th.

**Training of Trainers for Implementing the Pyramid Model in Pre-schools Updates:** * SSW PIEC Team shared upcoming TOT Training Dates and application process, inviting SLT members to disseminate.
* Discussed details about enhancing fidelity measures within the training content, including providing ongoing practice-based coaching and leadership team support to state certified trainers.
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| **PDG Funding Efforts that Align with the Pyramid Model*** MSDE DEC’s PDG grant dollars were provided to:
	+ Contract with the Indigo Cultural Center to conduct statewide equity trainings and consultation in December and coaching in January to ensure anti-racism practices are implemented and ensure fidelity
		- The SSW PIEC Team will be working with the Indigo Cultural Center on issues related to IECMH Consultation in the state. Kate is committed to sharing relevant information and aligning efforts with the SLT’s equity efforts.
	+ Update the Pyramid Model Online Infant and Toddlers Classroom Training
	+ Preparation work to develop MD practice standards for Pyramid Model Implementation and Demonstration sites
	+ Workforce efforts for IECMHC taking place through partnering with masters level schools of SW and counseling in the state to support internship placements with MSDE funded IECMHC teams in the state
* Possible forthcoming opportunity for partnership with UMB, Cecil County, Frederick County, Howard County, and Montgomery County to work on the prohibition of suspensions and expulsions in early childhood education

**Shared the Elevating Equity Committee Work Items** * The committee decided via survey to prioritize the first three items:
* developing a document to define anti-racism and equity in early childhood
* review and edit the SLT’s vision and mission statements to include specific verbiage about equity
* update training content with respect to culture, equity and anti-racism
* The committee will use upcoming meetings workgroups to complete these initiatives.
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| **Adjourned**  |

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, November 10, 2020 from 2 PM – 3:30 PM via Webex