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

*Date | time* Tuesday August 4th, 2020 | 11:30 PM – 1:00 PM | *Location* WebEx Link

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| **Attendance:**  Jenny Afkinich, UMB SSW; Margo Candelaria, UMB SSW; Katherine Endy, UMB SSW; Robyn Graham; Harford County Public Schools; Janette Guerra, MSDE; Tresa Hanna, MSDE; Angelique Kane, UMB SSW; Debbie Langer, MSDE; Sheila Maness, Prince George’s Child Resource Center; Angie McRae, Maryland Coalition of Families; 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**   * Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) is preparing to facilitate virtual Pyramid Model trainings using the Facilitation Manual shared by UMB SSW. D’Lisa requested strategies to assist with making the trainings as hands-on as possible. * Lisa offered strategies that UMB SSW have used to smoothly transition to virtual trainings. * Tresa shared information about MSDE’s Family Engagement Summit that will take place every second Thursday of the month beginning on August 13th with Dr. Walter Gilliam as the featured presenter. * Maryland Coalition of Families (MCF) is hosting their 2nd Virtual Parent Discussion on August 20th. Angie shared that this session will focus on addressing the needs of families as students prepare to return to distance learning for the Fall. * Jean shared that teachers in Anne Arundel County Public Schools are getting acclimated to virtual learning. * Prince George’s Child Resource Center (PGCRC) has been providing funds to child care centers to purchase PPE as a form of reopening assistance. Sheila shared that PGCRC has just wrapped up its first series of virtual Pyramid Model trainings. The series comprised of four 2-hour sessions during the evening. The facilitators used various tools (such as polls, whiteboard, and breakout rooms) to keep participants actively engaged. There will be a new series of listening sessions in August for teachers. * Steve shared discussion points from the Maryland Family Network (MFN) survey.   + Child care centers are having trouble with staffing. Switching locations requires a new license but centers can expand if they have an existing license.   + Families need assistance with child care. Families are reluctant to send children to child care centers. Grandparents appear to be the overwhelming child care plan for many families. Communications about resources need to be updated to encourage grandparents to take advantage of them. |
| **Discussed Application for National Targeted TA: Training of Trainers Implementing the Pyramid Model within Part C Home Visiting.**   * An info session is scheduled for August 5th. * TA is set to begin in October. * UMB SSW, in partnership with Janette and the MSDE Division of Special Education, are preparing and application. |
| **Shared the NCPMI Reopening Guidance.**  **Elevating Equity in PM Workgroup**   * Workgroup met on July 20th to discuss components of Pyramid Model work that elevates equity. Next meeting date will be included with the follow-up email. * The UMB 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. * Priorities for the workgroup include defining language for antiracism, tracking BIR data, sharing resources, updating training content and coaching materials to highlight systemic racism in Early Childhood Education, and conducting an inventory of actions that membership organizations are already taking to elevate equity.   + Southern Maryland is developing a workgroup that may grow into a coalition or task force to support families that are raising children who identify as black or biracial. This workgroup could, potentially, operate under the State Leadership Team. |
| **Adjourned** |

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 from 2 PM – 3:30 PM via Webex