

Swain County Smart Start / Local Interagency Coordinating Council Team Meeting Agenda March 11, 2025 @ 10 AM Swain Family Resource Center * 300 Hughes Branch Rd, Bryson City Or virtually with Microsoft TEAMS

Welcome and Introductions:

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General Team Goals/Outputs:

- How do we make these meetings more useful to the group?
- What can we do to make you more engaged with each other?
- 2022-2023 Desired outputs: Number of meetings/times review goals: 8 (6); Number of events: 1 (1); Number of team/community member presentations: 8 (7).

PAT Updates:

- Number of families currently serving: 2
- Number of available slots: 18
- Number on waitlist:
- Number on waitlist participating in group connections:

Smart Start Strategic Plan:

- The team is focusing on Children in Households that are food insecure: 16.8% in 2021 from 22.0% in 2019. Even though it went down the concern is that true numbers are not reflected yet.
- The second data point the team wants to impact on is children without health insurance 21.0% in 2021 from 23.7% in 2020. This is a slight decrease.

LICC Strategic Plan:

Child find event

Activities to Achieve Strategies:

- Educate families at events about health insurance, navigators consortium, food resources
- Partner w/Bright Adventures at PreK registration to provide food resources and Medicaid information
- Possibly partner with Catholic Charities for a drive thru food distribution/resource fair in spring of 2025

Old / New Business:

 Swain County Roll and Read event—possibly join up with Back to School Bash—in the very beginning stages

Team / Community Presentations:

- Circles of Jackson
- Catholic Charities

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Upcoming Presentations:

- April—No meeting
- May—Hope4NC
- June—Planning for next fiscal year

Upcoming Events—

N/A

What worked, what should we do differently and when do we meet again?

• Next meeting – May 13, 2025 at 10 am.

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