



**Cherokee County Smart Start / Local Interagency Coordinating Council  
Team Meeting Agenda  
February 5, 2025 @ 1:00 pm  
In-Person @ Region A Partnership for Children  
141 Peachtree St, Ste #5, Professional Building, Murphy  
Or virtually with Microsoft TEAMS**

**Welcome and Introductions:**

- Introductions
- What happened this past month or is going to happen this coming month that helped or will help families in the community?

**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 (5); Number of events: 2(2); Number of team/community member presentations: 7 (5)

**Smart Start Strategic Plan:**

- The team is focusing on Children in households that are food insecure: 16.1% in 2021. A decrease from 22.1% in 2019. The team feels that there was a lot of food available during COVID and this still may not be a true number.
- The second data point the team wants to impact on is Children without health insurance: 8.3% in 2021. A slight increase from 8.2% in 2020.

**LICC Strategic Plan:**

- Promote child find through events.

**Activities to Achieve Strategies**

- Collaborate with Legal Aid and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Resource Fair—Promote Medicaid, healthcare marketplace, food resource list, early intervention and preschool services. COMPLETED
- Plan a drive through food distribution/resource fair in collaboration with Catholic Charities in the spring of 2025.

**PAT Updates: (Cherokee/Clay)**

- Number of families currently serving: 18
- Number of available slots: 12
- Number on waitlist: 0
- Number on waitlist participating in group connections: 0

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**Old / New Business:**

- N/A

**Team / Community Presentations:**

- FNS Benefits—qualifying and applying for

**Upcoming Presentations:**

- March—Parents as Teachers
- April—open
- May—open
- June—Planning for next fiscal year

**Upcoming Events—Planning for next fiscal year**

- Cherokee / Clay Roll and Read—details to follow as planning occurs.

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

Next meeting – February 5, 2025 at 1 pm. Cherokee / Clay Roll and Read planning team meeting will immediately follow this meeting either in person or using the same link to attend virtually.

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