

**Early Hearing Detection (EHD) Advisory Board
Regular Meeting
Tuesday/July 17, 2018
Thomas Collins Bldg. Dover, DE 19901
Large Conference Room**

Meeting Minutes

Participants: Dr. Louis Bartoshesky, Rosanne Griff-Cabelli, Dr. Michael Teixido, Laurie Kettle-Rivera, Dr. Pamela Robinson, Angie Miller, Kathleen L. (Kathy) Johnson, Tara Kelly, Breaonte Williams, Isabel Rivera-Green, Kathleen Riley, Susan Campbell, Andrietta Thomas

Conference Call Participants: Shanda Brashear

Absent: Dr. Carlos Duran, Cynthia Farrell, Mary Reed, Robert Monaghan III.

Current Board Members:

Dr. Bartoshesky
Dr. Carlos Duran
Rosanne Griff-Cabelli
Cynthia Farrell
Mary Reed
Dr. Michael Teixido
Robert Monaghan III.
Laurie Kettle-Rivera
Dr. Pamela Robinson
Vacant- Child Development Watch/Chief Administrator
Vacant-DOE/Part B Coordinator
Vacant-Speech Pathologist

<p>Introductions:</p>	<p>All members introduced themselves. The meeting minutes for May 2018 were approved by Dr.Teixido and Dr. Robinson.</p>
<p>Isabel Rivera-Green</p> <p>Shanda Brashears</p> <p>Old Business:</p> <p>New Business Discussed:</p>	<p>Reviewed 2017 and 2018 babies diagnosed with hearing loss. All of the infants that were diagnosed with a hearing loss were referred to Early Intervention Services – Child Development Watch (CDW).</p> <p>Shanda discussed renovation of audiology department. No affects should be seen as far as the newborn screening is concerned as it relates to the diagnostic testing for those infants.</p> <p>Update from Isabel. She discussed the referring of babies directly to Dr.Parkes. Shanda and Yell have asked Audiologist team to document a note referring to Dr.Parkes in the children’s case file.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The following question was asked: Is the state able to hire a speech pathologist? ● Adding diagnoses to IFSP. ● CDW and School districts pay for hearing aids. ● Subcommittee/ funding issues ● Auditory behavior and a well versed speech pathologist (possible missing link between birth to 3 as bought up by a board member) ● When a meeting is occurring as it regards to the child, make sure having an individual who is knowledgeable about the child’s history is on the team so that everyone is aware and on the same page. ● Is it the school districts responsibility to hire more Speech Pathologist? ● The Birth Mandate Program is two fold. The 2 state departments responsible are Department of Education and Department of Health and Social Services. There needs to be coordinated responsibility. We do not have enough Speech Pathologist in Delaware. ● Sue Campbell stated she would send Isabel the steps to get hearing aids

- Shanda shared that parents are getting loaner hearing aids and worrying about the cost later. Shanda shared that the cost for a Baha is 10,000.00. Baha Babies are falling through the cracks.
- MOU between Child Development Watch (CDW), Newborn Screening Program (NSP), and Department of Education (DOE)

An Adhoc Committee was formulated, due to the New Business Discussed above. The purpose of the adhoc committee is to look at Early Intervention at 6 months or sooner to dive into what services are these diagnosed infants are currently receiving.

Adhoc Committee Members:

Dr. Michael Teixido
 Susan Campbell
 Laurie Kettle-Rivera
 Kathy Johnson
 Tara Kelly
 Tracy Neugebauer

Student Comment: Dr. Teixido’s student shared that it was interesting to hear the barriers and the discussion on the Baha equipment.

Meeting adjourned first by Rosanne Griff-Cabelli and second by Laurie Kettle-Rivera

Next Meeting Scheduled:

Tuesday/September 18, 2018 at 8:30am to 10:30am Location: Appoquinimink State Service Center 122 Silver Lake Road, Middletown, DE. 19709. The meeting will be held in the State Service Center’s Large Conference Room. Conference call lines for the meeting: **Call in: 1-877-366-0711 Passcode: 99820077**