



THE GROWING PRACTICE OF FACILITATED IEP MEETINGS: HOW FOUR STATES IMPLEMENTED A PROGRAM

PANELISTS

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CADRE'S FACILITATED IEP WORKGROUP: 2.0

- In 2011, CADRE convened a multistate workgroup, using peer-to-peer technical assistance, to maximize investment in IEP facilitation.
- Five states (Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Ohio and Texas) participated in the three-year initiative.
- The success of that program led to second CADRE's Facilitated IEP Workgroup
- Seven states (Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Missouri, New Jersey, New York and West Virginia) participated.

I. INTRODUCTION TO STATES' PROGRAMS

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson
- New Jersey: Cynthia Hoenes-Saindon
- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

2. WHAT PROMPTED YOUR STATE TO DO FIEP AND WHAT ARE YOUR STATES' GOALS FOR THE FIEP PROCESS?

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson
- New Jersey: Cynthia Hoenes-Saindon
- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

3. HOW IS FIEP MONITORED OR MANAGED AT THE STATE LEVEL? HAS FIEP BEEN ADDED TO STATE POLICIES/PROCEDURES?

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson
- New Jersey: Cynthia Hoenes-Saindon
- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

4. WHAT TYPE OF SCENARIOS MOST OFTEN LEAD TO FIEP AND IS FIEP PART OF THE DR PROCESS?

- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

5. IN STARTING THE FIEP PROGRAM, HOW DID YOU GET THE BUY-IN OF YOUR STAKEHOLDERS?
HOW DID YOU OVERCOME RESISTANCE?

- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson

6. WHAT SURPRISES OR UNEXPECTED CHALLENGES DID YOU EXPERIENCE DURING IMPLEMENTATION?

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson

7. HOW DID YOU LET DISTRICTS AND PARENTS KNOW THAT FIEP WAS AVAILABLE?

- New Jersey: Cynthia Hoenes-Saindon

8. WHO ARE YOUR FACILITATORS? HOW ARE THEY SELECTED?

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson
- New Jersey: Cynthia Hoenes-Saindon
- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

9. WHAT TRAINING OR PREPARATION DO YOUR FACILITATORS HAVE?

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- New Jersey: Cynthia Hoenes-Saindon
- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

10. WHAT IS YOUR MODEL OF FACILITATION?

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

11. IN WHAT WAYS DO YOU ENCOURAGE CONTINUING EDUCATION OR NETWORKING WITH YOUR FACILITATORS?

- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson

12. DESCRIBE THE DATA YOU COLLECT AND ITS USE.

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard

13. WHAT PROCESSES ARE IN PLACE TO INSURE THAT YOUR STATE'S FIEP INITIATIVE IS CONTINUOUSLY IMPROVED?

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson
- New Jersey: Cynthia Hoenes-Saindon
- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

14. WHAT WOULD YOU DO DIFFERENTLY, IF YOU KNEW THEN WHEN YOU KNOW NOW?

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson
- New Jersey: Cynthia Hoenes-Saindon
- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

15. WHAT ONE PIECE OF ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR OTHER STATES REGARDING STARTING OR IMPROVING THEIR FIEP PROGRAMS?

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QUESTIONS FOR THE PANEL?

- Georgia: Jamila Pollard
- Missouri: Cheryl Thompson
- New Jersey: Cynthia Hoenes-Saindon
- West Virginia: Sheila Paitsel

THANK YOU!

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