

SUN Data and Evaluation Workgroup

Summary of 7/9/08 Meeting

Attendees: Meg McElroy (CHIF), Mary Richardson (Parks), Maxine Thompson (Leaders Roundtable), Diane Dorfman (County –DCHS), Cheryl Baldomarcoulucas (DHS), Dunya Minoo (PPS), Lisa Pellegrino (CHIF).

Group discussed existing MOU between DHS and MESD and applicability to data we are seeking as funders of the SUN system. Noted that we do not need access to child level data and that such access would require releases from parents which DHS has because has custody of child. We would be asking MESD to manipulate data on children tagged as participating in a program and would not require access to child level data.

Group discussed the data points funders are currently tracking (e.g. school attendance, program attendance, grades, FRL rates etc.) and agreed to create a chart that includes data points CHIF, County and Connected X 25 are currently using. Parks is not tracking any data on any different variables – they are included in data currently reported on SUN Community Schools. They track attendance in activities offered to children and adults at their sites. Group discussed possibly breaking down data collected by elementary, middle and high school levels; especially participation rate data. Discussed participation rates as important data to track and discussed tracking kids who exceed 30 day participation threshold in increments to find out the percentage of kids who are heavily using the system and see if outcomes differ for this population.

Discussed issue of quality programming and how we might measure quality and work toward improvement; how we might implement quality standards, and how we monitor for quality implementation. Also discussed possibility of working together more on quality improvement efforts (schools, city, county) by offering joint training or other efforts.

Agreed to meet again on July 28, 2008 from 1-2:30 at DHS SE office (2446 SE Ladd) and work on common data points across partners.