



Minutes ~ October 4, 2017

Community Support Network Partner Meeting

3:30 to 5:00 pm ~ Gene Albaugh Community Room at the Madelyn Helling Library

Attending CSN Partners – 18 attended (11 filled out evaluation forms) including: Char Weiss-Wenzl, NCPHD; Cindy Wilson, Nevada County Public Health Dept.; Danita Sorenson, KARE Crisis Nursery; Frank McClain, EvolutionAccess/CBV; Heather Heckler, Connecting Point; Jan MacDonald, CANC/FTHB; Jolene Hardin, Young Parents Program & CSN-CAPC Board; Joyce Ash, Child Advocates of Nevada County/FTHB & CSN-CAPC Board; Kristen McGrew, PARTNERS FRC/NCSOS & CSN-CAPC Board; Laurie DeMartini, PARTNERS FRC, Penn Valley & CSN-CAPC Board; Lourdes Vose, SNCS; Mary DeWitt, LCSW; Mary Mackintosh, CoRR; Ned Russell, Got 40?, CSN-CAPC Board; Sarah Daley, Community Member; Virginia “Jenna” Drouin-Jones, Adoption Assistance Program, Foster Care, and CalWORKS; Susan Sanford, CSN Coordinator.

Welcome & Introductions – Jolene Hardin, Young Parents Program/Cal-Learn Case Manager, Nevada Joint Union High School District, and CSN-CAPC Board member

Meeting Minutes – Accepted minutes from September meeting

40 Developmental Assets & Building the Network Moment – omitted for October

Meeting Focus – *Shaken Baby Syndrome/Abusive Head Trauma* ~ Scott Juceam

Scott is a Southern California businessman and a leading advocate for the prevention of Shaken Baby Syndrome/Abusive Head Trauma. His passion for this topic stems from personal experience. His daughter, Hannah Rose, died after she was violently shaken by her babysitter. He and his wife founded the Hannah Rose Foundation to help prevent this form of child abuse. Juceam has played a key role in promoting justice in court cases involving SBS/AHT.

From Scott's presentation...

- Scott has talked about this more than 500 times to organizations including: military, police, prisons.
- He has consulted with FBI, Dept. of Corrections, Child Abuse Prevention Centers, testified in California State legislature.
- Scott shared details of his personal story. In 2006 his family was living in Placer County. On May 11, 2006 his 16-month-old daughter, Hannah Rose, was shaken by her nanny. She was taken to the hospital where it was discovered that her retinas were detached, a clear indication to the doctors that she had been shaken.
- Scott and his wife were separately questioned by police as treatment for Hannah proceeded. It was clear to police that neither Scott and nor his wife had shaken Hannah. After questioning the nanny, police arrested her for attempted murder.
- On May 13, 2006 Hannah was removed from life support and died in Scott's arms.
- Scott determined to make this personal tragedy into an opportunity to tell the world about Hannah Rose and do all he could to prevent SBS.

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- Two criminal trials failed to convict the nanny, in part because of testimony from a doctor who claimed that Shaken Baby Syndrome is not a real thing. Scott and his family did win a civil case against the nanny, who returned to her home country of Mexico.
- SBS happens when a baby cries and an adult goes into a rage.
- To get the word out, get in touch with birthing hospitals. Educate them.
- Scott and his wife started The Hannah Rose Foundation to help end this form of child abuse.
- Many families disintegrate in the aftermath of such an incident – divorce, alcohol, drugs. Scott and his wife have stayed together and have three living children.
- For help in dealing with grief, Placer County appointed nondenominational chaplains to Scott’s family. They were experienced in the legal proceedings and went to court with them every day for two years. Bikers Against Child Abuse also started coming to the proceedings.
- After Hannah’s death, Scott partnered with the Child Abuse Prevention Center in Sacramento. At that time, Sacramento County had the highest incidence of SBS in California. During a 3-year period after starting an outreach campaign that included billboards, there was not one reported case of SBS in the county.
- SBS is an intentional assault on an infant or toddler by an adult going into rage. It is never witnessed and it’s very difficult to prosecute.
- Scott says that about half the time the shaker is a parent and the other half is usually other family members and caregivers.
- Scott wants to inspire people to do something they might not have done had we not met. He wants to do anything he can to help get the word out, including providing materials – contact him via the Hannah Rose Foundation website.
- The most important thing is to talk about it – it doesn’t cost anything.
- “Don’t shake your baby” is a pretty clear message.

RESOURCES & INFO

- The Hannah Rose Foundation ~ <http://dontshakeyourbaby.com/>
 - California Department of Social Services <http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/OCAP/Shaken-Baby-Syndrome>. See especially Publication 271: CDSS_shaken baby syndrome_PUB271
 - National Center on Shaken Baby Syndrome ~ <https://www.dontshake.org/>
- Here’s some info from this page of the website: <https://www.dontshake.org/learn-more/itemlist/category/13-facts-info>
- Crying is the #1 Trigger
 - Most in Babies Less Than 6 Months Old
 - Leading Cause of Child Abuse Deaths in U.S.
 - ≈1,300 Cases per Year in U.S.
 - ≈25% Die
 - ≈80% Suffer Lifelong Disabilities
 - \$16.8 Billion Cost to the U.S. in 2010
 - \$7.2 Million Cost per SBS/AHT Death
 - Over 700 Publications in more than 100 Peer-Reviewed Medical Journals

Meeting Evaluations & Adjournment – Attendees filled out evaluation forms. Next meeting November 1, 2017, Gene Albaugh Community Room, at the Madelyn Helling Library.

2017 CSN Partner Meeting Dates ~ January 4, February 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, July & August-hiatus, September 6, October 4, November 1, December-hiatus

2018 CSN Partner Meeting Dates ~ January 3, February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, July & August-hiatus, September 5, October 3, November 7, December-hiatus

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Community Support Network of Nevada County Meeting Agreements

- Make decisions by consensus.
- Create an atmosphere of mutual respect that includes active listening and listening without judging.
- Start and end on time.
- Maintain a sense of humor and a positive attitude.
- Bring concerns to the whole group. Don't take them to the parking lot after the meeting.
- Set up the room in an inclusive way.
- Take responsibility for a task only if you have the time to accomplish it.
- Everyone is empowered to be a process observer and take ownership for the health of the meeting and is responsible for the health of the whole meeting.
- Be sensitive to others' need for more information. Make sure everyone understands.
- Be careful of injecting your self-interest and label it as such. Be able to layout your agency's interest and be open to other's interests.
- Meetings are meaningful and have a shared purpose.
- This is a living document and can be changed as needed.

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### **40 Developmental Assets** will return in November

In the meantime, here's a link to a PDF with all of them: <https://www.wvdhhr.org/ahi/assets.pdf>

To learn more about the 40 Developmental Assets (Got40?), call: 271-5617 or email: [info@Got40.org](mailto:info@Got40.org) or [NedRussell@pacbell.net](mailto:NedRussell@pacbell.net).

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