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Illinois Professional Development System

Professional Development Advisory Council School Age and Youth Development Credential Committee

Telenet

February 15, 2018

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Minutes

Attendees:

Carole Franke

Molly Nord

Stephanie Hellmer

Diana Rosenbrock

Shallie Pittman

Tammy Notter*

Julie Lindstrom

*Denotes co-chair

Welcome – Tammy Notter co-chair

Approval of November 16, 2017 Minutes

- Motion by Carole Franke.
- Motion seconded by Shallie Pittman.
- Motion passed and minutes approved.

SAYD Renewal Recommendation Update – Diana Rosenbrock, QC co-chair

- The Qualifications and Credentials (QC) Committee reviewed four separate renewal recommendations; inclusive of the School-Age & Youth Development (SAYD) Credential.
- During this call the QC Committee discussed the need for consistency across the renewal requirements for all Gateways Credentials.
- The QC Committee will be putting together a recommendation for renewal requirement guidelines. Points that will be discussed further at the next QC meeting included:
 - Goal to be consistent across all Credentials.
 - Credential renewal is every five years.
 - Credential renewal requires a minimum of 45 clock hours of professional development.
 - For example: If an individual has more than one Credential to be renewed, the QC Committee will decide a minimum threshold of clock hours of professional development specific to each Credential being renewed. Therefore, if an individual is renewing more than three Credentials, the minimum clock hours may exceed 45 hours of professional development.
- The SAYD Committee was in agreement with the findings from the QC Committee.

Overview of SAYD Credentials Awarded:

- Inclusive of pilot applicants, a total of 310 SAYD Credential Levels 2 – 5 have been awarded.
 - All pilot Credentials expire on December 31st, 2019. There were 90 SAYD Credentials awarded during the pilot.
- Overall, the number of Gateways Credential and program applications received in the last 4-5 months has declined.

- To advertise the SAYD Credential, an email blast to all current Registry members working with school-age and/or youth was sent on Tuesday, February 6th, 2018. It included the application and panel card.
 - INCCRRA staff will also host a vendor booth at the Illinois Afterschool Network (IAN) Conference on April 7th in Springfield.

Status of SAYD Credential Competencies:

- Since July 1st, 2017, INCCRRA staff has been piloting the use of competencies to determine eligibility and awarding of SAYD Credentials.
- However, with 112 competencies, awarding an SAYD Credential using competencies has been a challenge.

Gateways Credential type:	Number of Competencies:
ECE Credential	56 competencies total
Family Specialist Credential	40 competencies total
SAYD Credential	112 competencies total <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50% more competencies than ECE • 64% more competencies than FSC

- The handout (Attachment A) outlines SAYD Credentials awarded since July 1st, 2017 under the current “point” structure. Out of the 36 SAYD Credentials awarded, 19 have been evaluated using competencies. A small number, approximately 15% (3) of those 19, fully meet an equivalent SAYD Credential Level using competencies.
- The SAYD Credential competency table (Attachment B), lists the competencies by level. There are a total of 112 SAYD competencies.
- The full SAYD Credential competencies (Attachment C) includes the original benchmarks, now referred to as “descriptors”.
- **Committee discussion/consensus:**
 - We don’t want to penalize the field by having so many competencies that it is impossible to obtain.
 - There may be overlapping or similar competencies that could be merged.
 - Can we streamline/consolidate the SAYD competencies into a more manageable amount?
 - The SAYD Committee will divide the content areas and use the full SAYD Credential competencies inclusive of benchmarks/descriptors.
 - Committee members did not have a preference about which content area to review. Per the SAYD Credential Committee’s request, INCCRRA staff will assign a content area to each member along with some directions.
 - Each Committee member will come to the face to face meeting on April 23rd, 2018 with their recommendations on merging/consolidating the competencies within their assigned content area.
 - INCCRRA staff will email the SAYD competencies in a word document in order for Committee members to document suggested edits.
 - The “descriptors” are the original benchmarks and cannot be eliminated.
 - Question: If changes are made to the SAYD competencies, does a recommendation need to be made through the PDAC structure?
 - INCCRRA staff will get more information on the process and report back to the Committee.

Announcements:

- The SAYD Credential Ad-hoc Committee work is concluding, but committee members will still be a part of the Professional Development Advisory Council (PDAC) Qualifications & Credentials (QC) Committee.
 - Members have the option of joining another Committee. Some options are: Workforce Development and Pathways, Financial Supports, and Information and Trends.
 - Thank you to all that have served on this Committee. Julie Lindstrom will be emailing more information to SAYD Credential Committee members in the next four to five months.

FY18 Meeting Dates

- **Additional: Monday, April 23rd, 2018** **Face to Face** **10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**
- 4th Quarter Thursday, June 7th, 2018 **Telenet** **1:00 PM – 2:30 PM**

Adjourned at 1:55 PM.

Attachments available upon request.

