



Center for Healthy Births

Building Blocks for Better Babies

**Antelope Valley Best Babies Collaborative
SPA 1
Meeting
April 6, 2005
AV Hospital
Meeting Notes**

Welcome and Introductions

Healthy Births Fair

There was an honorary lunch March 29, 2005 to celebrate and thank everyone who participated in the fair. All the women who attended were very pleased. Special thanks to Tommi Perkins and Nicki Brown who spearheaded the event.

Build Collaborative Assets Map Activity

Purpose:

To identify our strengths and identify the groups that we partner with. The asset map activity is to help us build a community action team, that has short-term objectives to help propel and guide our HBLC further. This activity will help us capture, "Why are we all here?" It is important to discuss all options available to us, in order to learn how we can all work together.

Method:

In order to achieve true collaboration, Miesha Council asked for members to breakout into groups of six to eight people. Once the breakout was complete, there were four groups. Within these small groups one person volunteered to be the recorder and one person volunteered to be the spokes person. During the meeting the recorder captured the discussion of the group on a sheet of paper. The spokes person, at the end of the meeting then communicated to the larger group what was discussed within the smaller groups. Each group was given thirty minutes to complete their discussion. The groups discussed the following:

1. Capture tools (. Resources to make action team strongest. Ex. meeting space, transportation, etc)
2. What are some of the things you are looking for?
3. Who are you? What do you do? Sources or programs that your organization provides?

Results:

At the end of the thirty minutes, Miesha called the larger group back together. The spokesperson of each of the breakout groups then had a chance to report back to the group as a whole about what was discussed in their smaller group (tools, resources, programs provided). After all spokespersons had an opportunity to report back, the notes from each recorder were collected for Miesha to compile.



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Conclusion:

Once all of the information is compiled, the information of all resources available will be presented back to the group at a later date.

Plan Special May 4th Meeting

LADHS will present the Infant Mortality Review. The meeting will focus on the information reviewed, how it was reviewed, and what the trends were. Then the group will brainstorm to see where we can make the largest impact. We will set 3 short-term goals and one long-term goal. Translation will be available to those who need it.

LABBC Center for Healthy Births Update

There will be a Healthy Births Summit in October 2005 in partnership with LA DHS and the March of Dimes. The Healthy Births Learning Collaboratives (HBLC) and the Best Babies Collaboratives (BBC) will present on what they have been working on. This will be a time to share with one another and learn about what all participants have been doing to improve birth outcomes.

There will be a page dedicated to the SPA 1 HBLC on the LABBC Center for Healthy Births (CHB) website. This will be a place where we can post meeting notes and announcements. The website is: www.labestbabies.org.

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