Child Care Referral Services and Financial Assistance
Stakeholder Group Meeting
October 20, 2010

AGENDA

1:00 Welcome and Agenda Review

1:15 Part I: CCR&R

Share Emerging Products: Definition and function of CCR&R ; Goals of CCR&R; and Models of CCR&R

Plan for Investigating Models and sharing at next meeting

1:45 Part II: Modernization of the determination of eligibility for child care financial assistance

Establish Shared Understanding of Current Status and Decisions (CDD presentation)

Review Mandate of Stakeholder Group

- Consider the impacts of implementation of eligibility for the child care financial assistance program in the DCF system on families and child care providers
- Make recommendation to the legislature on how to preserve full access to high quality child development services for VT families especially for those experiencing adversity/barriers

Review Guiding Questions

1. What potential additional barriers to access to child care financial assistance would the new system pose?
2. What can we do to minimize barriers and support access to child care financial assistance for families? What supports if any are needed for child care providers?
    a. What supports are needed during transition?
    b. What is needed after transition – post full-modernization (summer 2011)?

Identify Lessons Learned from Modernization Efforts So Far

- What are the lessons learned from other modernization efforts?
- What might be particularly pertinent to accessing child care financial assistance?

Understand Responses from Parents/Families

- What is the plan for gathering parent input?
- What questions will be asked?

Gather Group Feedback on Potential Barriers:

- What potential additional barriers would the new system pose to accessing child care financial assistance? (brainstorm)

3:30 Wrap Up

- What will we discuss at our next meeting?
- What work needs to be done in advance of the next meeting?

Skylight Conference Room 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
State Office Complex, Waterbury