May 2018 Stakeholder Meeting Report-Back

MCAH is currently engaged in a year of learning to connect with stakeholders, build partnerships, and expand our knowledge about the greatest needs of children and youth with special health care needs (CYSHCN) in the state. MCAH plans to culminate this year of learning by collaboratively creating a strategic plan to guide future Title V-funded efforts to serve this important population. In May 2018, MCAH convened a diverse group of stakeholders including state agencies, non-profit foundations, health plans, family representatives and others to officially start the strategic planning process.

Meeting objectives included:
- Assessing strengths, needs and gaps in services and support available to CYSHCN
- Identifying key partners and developing strategies for ongoing engagement
- Starting the conversation around priorities related to access to specialty and support services, medical home and transition to adult care

Key priorities identified during the facilitated discussion included:
- Explore how to implement Shared Plans of Care
- Increase social and emotional health of caregivers and the family unit
- Increase availability of high-quality care coordination
- Improve partnerships between pediatric and adult medicine
- Develop specialists in the transition from pediatric to adult health care for CYSHCN
- Offer monetary incentives for medical home
- Develop formal family engagement efforts
- Incorporate mental health as a priority and increase availability of mental health care

The organizations listed below contributed their time, expertise, and commitment at the May stakeholder meeting. Moving forward, MCAH will provide regular opportunities for engagement and will continue to welcome new partners to the table.

Interested in getting involved?
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