

Discovery 2007

Community Planning Framework ~ Orientation Session

May 18, 2007

9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Results of the Orientation Session:

1. Familiarity with the elements of a community planning framework
2. Increased understanding of “what it takes” to carry out a results-based community plan
3. Sufficient information to take back to the community collaborative to assess readiness

AGENDA

8:30 Continental Breakfast and Networking

9:00 Welcome and Introductions

9:15 Learning From Our Peers – Panel Discussion

- Jose Colon-Rivas, Mayors Office for Young Children, City of Hartford
- Mary Peniston, Kids Start Smart/Norwalk Public Schools, City of Norwalk
- Debra Watson, BAYC/Bridgeport Public Schools, City of Bridgeport

10:15 Community Planning in the Context of Discovery

An overview of how a community plan, in the context of Discovery may be similar to and/or different from other planning efforts.

10:45 The Community Planning Framework

A review of the planning elements and process. Participants will have an opportunity to learn about various tools that can be used to support local efforts.

11:15 Questions and Group Discussion

11:45 Lunch

Over lunch community teams will have an opportunity to review the technical assistance pathway and discuss how to use the information provided in the session with their collaborative.

12:30 Taking the First Step: Data Collection and Fiscal Scan

Sue Wilson from DataCONNECTIONS and Jim Farnam from Holt, Wexler & Farnam will provide an overview the type of data that is needed for a community plan and the technical assistance that will be available in the areas of quantitative data collection and a fiscal scan.

2:00 Community Capacity Building Resources

An overview of technical assistance resources.

2:30 Adjourn