

## Health and Mental Health Services Advisory Committee (HaMSAC)

### General Plan/Approach:

Each grantee directly operating an Head Start program, and each delegate agency, must establish and maintain a Health and Mental Health Services Advisory Committee (HaMSAC), which includes Head Start parents, professionals, and other volunteers from the community.

#### Head Start Program Performance Standards:

1302.40 (b) – Health and Mental Health Services Advisory Committee

Our procedures are subject to adjustment based on Public Health needs or advisory from either our local, state or federal governing bodies. Any temporary modifications to procedures in this event will be documented and shared with staff.

### Procedure:

- The role of the HaMSAC is to advise in the planning, operation, and evaluation of health and mental health services.
- The HaMSAC assists in planning, accessing community health resources, and development of policies and procedures.
- HaMSAC members are recruited through personal contact and Policy Council.
- Appropriate members include physicians, nurses, dentists, dieticians, WIC, audiologists, optometrists, mental health professionals, allied health professionals, coordinated care provider representatives and parents.
- HaMSAC members may be consulted during the year as needs arise.

Tasks & Activities	Timeframe	Staff Responsible
Confirm membership of HaMSAC for coming year.	Summer/early Fall	Health Manager or assigned staff
Recruit parents at Policy Council	Summer/early Fall	PFCE department; designated staff
ID current health issues, questions or concerns to bring to first HaMSAC meeting.	October	Health Manager, Health Services



First HaMSAC Meeting	November - Jackson County	Health Services
ID current health issues, questions or concerns to bring to second HaMSAC meeting.	March	Health Manager, Health Services
Second HaMSAC meeting	April - Josephine County if available	Health Services