

Memorandum of Understanding between
Work Group I of the Bedford-Stuyvesant Community Partnership Initiative (CPI),
under the auspices of
Brooklyn Perinatal Network, Inc., as fiscal sponsor, and
Bedford Stuyvesant Early Childhood Development Center (the Agency)

The overall goals of each of the Work Groups comprising the Bedford-Stuyvesant Community Partnership Initiative are to:

- Work Group 1: Promote innovative approaches to a coordinated service delivery system that will bridge the gap between Head Start, child care and community-based preventive services;
- Work Group 2: Participate in family conferences to contribute to decision-making about the needs, services and safety plans appropriate to particular families' circumstances;
- Work Group 3: Support existing foster and adoptive parents and recruit new ones in communities where they are needed, and
- Work Group 4: Facilitate visits between parents, children and siblings in foster care.

Work Group 1 will address its goal by establishing the protocol and infrastructure for client referral to provide, promote, and coordinate comprehensive child care, education, health, and human services to children and families in the Bedford-Stuyvesant community.

The undersigned Agency, having in common the goal of CPI Work Group 1, agrees to work collaboratively in the following ways:

1. Facilitate the integration of services to clients who are enrolled in each organization. Agencies agree to maintain on-going communication and share information for the benefit of the clients being served within the bounds of confidentiality governing our respective agencies under State and Federal Laws.
2. Participate in a trial referral process for the next six months by referring clients to other agencies in the CPI partnership, where appropriate, and accepting client referrals from other CPI partners as instituted by the respective program's guidelines;
3. Utilize the CPI Client Referral Form, a copy of which is attached hereto, and such other reasonable instruments to effect and appropriately document such referrals;
4. Provide verifiable services to participating families by tracking and reporting measurable, attainable outcomes in accordance with the goal of CPI Work Group 1; and
5. Engage in evaluation of the service delivery system to support effect and efficient delivery methods and to collaborate on the identification and removal of barriers thereto.

Please indicate your agreement to the foregoing by signing this memorandum in the space provided below as of this ____ day of _____, 200_.

CPI Work Group I

[insert name of Agency]

By: _____
Name:
Title: Work Group I Co-Lead

By: _____
Name:
Title: