

MINUTES

SmartStart Hubs Community of Practice Meeting

November 21, 2024 | 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Location: Virtual

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved with addition of below items.

2. Confirmation of dates for 2025 meetings

Continue with current schedule of Thursdays 3rd week of every 2nd month at 2 pm.

3. Community outreach opportunities

Discussion around various outreach opportunities by local SSHs. Examples include: CAS, public health, EarlyON, schools, perinatal health network, autism partners, children's mental health organizations, ECE programs, joining various community tables as a member representative, and participating in community events. Have had a focus to target family physicians to increase awareness of the SSH, however can be challenging to reach all.

4. Intake & About My Child Tool

Discussion around how CTCs are using the About My Child (AMC) Tool. Some are incorporating SSH questions into CTC intake (ie. embedding the AMC into the call by Service Navigation teams). Some are treating all referrals to the CTC as a referral to the SSH and redirecting to partners if appropriate no matter the referral source.

5. LIFT Guidelines

Discussion around the LIFT guidelines and SSH. Have explored the creation of a Tier 1 resource website and making regular connections with families (ie. every 6 months).

6. Formal Partnerships

Some CTCs have unsigned MOUs or organizations have declined to be a "formal" partner. Individual scenarios depending on the CTC and local partnerships.

7. Next Meeting – Dates to be confirmed for 2025 and emailed to the SSH CoP group.