



## **Barrow County Family Connection Collaborative FY18 Member Agreement**

Barrow County Family Connection, Inc. was established as a partnership of community citizens, agencies and businesses. These community citizens, agencies, and businesses consist of the local government, schools, social service providers, consumers, businesses, the faith community, civic organizations, parents and children.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Our mission is to improve the quality of life for all people in Barrow County through community collaboration to strengthen families and promote education.

- ❖ The desired results are ensuring all children are healthy, ready to start and perform better in school, have stable, economically self-sufficient families, and live in strong communities. The work of the collaborative is based on a framework of accountability. We believe that collaboration strengthens each partner's work, whether that work occurs within an organization, a neighborhood, or an individual family.
- ❖ The fulfillment of this mission shall adhere to the following principles: It shall be community based, family focused, accountable for results, based on collaboration, work toward prevention and early intervention, and shall recognize, joint and shared planning with our community and the state with an emphasis on local decision making.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

We envision a community that is positive, caring, clean, safe, and involved. We envision a community of people from all walks of life engaged in working together to foster a healthy environment in which to live, work, and play.

### **CURRENT GOALS and strategies: FY18**

Residents of Barrow County will be healthy, educated, free of violence and abuse, rich in compassion and live in an environment that promotes their well-being and self-sufficiency.

- Provide a safe environment for children through education and training, through the provision of accessible intervention and prevention programs and development of additional supportive services for children.
- Educate service providers and the community at large the availability of programs and services for families, and the importance of a coordinated community.
- Prevent duplication of services.
- Provide students and their parent/guardians with an array of asset building opportunities and supports to ensure educational success and increase parent/ guardian involvement in their child(ren)'s personal development.

#### **MEMBER PARTNERS:**

Adopted 5/2/06

Revised 5/1/17

Members must meet the following eligibility requirements:

Membership is open to individuals who are residents of, persons employed in, or persons serving clients in Barrow County who are interested in partnering to further the purposes and functions of the collaborative, and who are willing to subscribe to the articles of incorporation and bylaws. There will be two types of members: non-voting and voting. Members can choose to change their type of membership at any time by submitting a new application.

**ALL MEMBERS AGREE TO:**

- Participate in at least one committee, task force, or event per fiscal year.
- Work in partnership with others supporting human service efforts.
- Support and assist in development of a unified approach to serving children and families that coordinates, evaluates, and implements a comprehensive long-range plan developed by the collaborative.
- Eliminate needless duplication of services.

**VOTING MEMBERS ALSO AGREE TO:**

- Attend at least fifty percent (50%) of the monthly collaborative meetings.

**ALL MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO:**

- Request letters of support.
- Be kept updated on the activities of the collaborative.
- Recognition as a member of the Barrow County Collaborative.
- Voting members may vote on any matter brought to the collaborative meeting and may submit items for voting consideration.

Collaborative Member

Barrow County Family Connection Representative

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Voting or Non-voting \_\_\_\_\_

Verified voting or non-voting \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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