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### **RUCD Mission Statement**

**To create an environment of opportunities where  
Head Start & Early Head Start children and  
families are empowered to change their lives.**

#### **Committee Members in Attendance:**

Hannah Schoon - Southeastern Utah Health Department  
Kasey Asay - Tri-County Health Department  
Cristina Pay - USU Extension  
Jeff Cowley - Carbon Medical Services

#### **Staff Members in Attendance:**

Laneeaa Cowley, Misty Valdez

#### **Call to Order:**

Laneeaa Cowley called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

#### **Agenda Items:**

##### **RUCD Agency Updates:**

Laneeaa shared the new RUCD recruitment video with all in attendance. She also gave an overview of the full enrollment initiative that RUCD is undergoing to become fully enrolled.

##### **Full Year of Health Data**

Laneeaa presented the full year of health data for RUCD's 2022-2023 program term. Hannah shared that the Moab school district will partner with a dentist to come to the schools and provide services. She will send more information to Laneaa.

Kasey also shared that Vernal would be having a similar clinic through a partnership with the University of Utah's dental school. They provide dental services to low-income families. Kasey will share this information with Laneaa.

##### **Prenatal and Children Services Health Organizations**

Laneeaa explained that RUCD is focusing on partnerships in all service areas to help provide more services to prenatal parents and, through the partnerships receive referrals of prenatal families that would benefit from RUCD services.

### **SEU Health Department**

Hannah Schoon gave a presentation about the new lead standards for the state of Utah and the patterns of lead poisonings for the past five years. Utah has new testing standards that are being slowly rolled out to health departments. To rule out lead poisoning, a child needs to have 2 clear tests a couple of months apart. Laneea asked if we could have families complete the survey about lead risk that Hannah shared with the committee. Hannah said yes, referring families to the lead risk survey will help to better track lead risks in the Southeastern area.

### **Adjournment:**

Laneea Cowley asked the members about the likelihood of those in attendance participating in meetings more often. Those in attendance agreed to have meetings quarterly. Members suggested not having meetings on Friday and getting away with doing lunchtime meetings. It was suggested that the next meeting be held in May or June.

Laneea Cowley adjourned the meeting.