

HEALTH BOARD Discussion Form

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AGENDA ITEM #2: Child and Family Action Plan

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BOARD ACTION: ☑ Action Item Discussion FYI - Only

In April 2019, the County Health Board adopted a resolution affirming commitment to Whatcom County's young children and families. As part of this resolution, the Health Board tasked the Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB), working in collaboration with Health Department (WCHD) staff and Generations Forward partners, to create a Whatcom County Child and Family Action Plan by January 31, 2020. The purpose of this plan is to provide recommendations to the Health Board about steps County Government can take to support young children and families in Whatcom County.

Since April, PHAB members, WCHD staff, community partners, and family representatives have been actively working to develop the Child and Family Action Plan. The plan includes a series of recommendations that have been brought forward through a collaborative community process, along with background information and resources.

Members of the Public Health Advisory Board, Health Department staff, and several community partners who were part of the planning process will present the plan and answer Health Board guestions.

BOARD ROLE / ACTION REQUESTED

- Adopt Child and Family Action Plan as a guiding document for county action
- Formally commit to the four "Proposed Next Steps" outlined in the plan

ATTACHMENT(S)

- Whatcom Working Towards Well-being: An Action Plan for County Government, January 2020
- Letters of Support
- PowerPoint Presentation

