



Alaska TACSEI Pyramid Partnership Enters the Waypoints in Their GPS *Pyramid Partnership Roster*

Twenty-first century technology has greatly aided Alaska aviators through the use of a Global Positioning System (GPS) installed in even the smallest of aircraft. Like an aviation GPS, the Alaska TACSEI Pyramid Partnership is also creating statewide positioning to spread the implementation of the model.

Connecting the Waypoints

Alaska TACSEI Pyramid Partnership has many levels of connections (waypoints) beginning with the Steering Committee, established in July 2009. The Steering Committee members assisted with the creation and development of the Federal ARRA grant submitted in August 2009. In October 2009, the Alaska TACSEI Pyramid Partnership Leadership Team was established. The Leadership team is comprised of statewide decision makers in the cross-discipline fields of Early Childhood, Behavioral Health, Early Intervention, School District Administration, Head Start, and Child Care. A listing of the Leadership Team is posted on the Alaska TACSEI Google Docs site.

The State Coordination Team for the Alaska TACSEI Pyramid Partnership includes the state-level Director of the Early Intervention Program, Erin Kinavey, and the Education and Early Development Directors, Sharon Fishel, and Susan Steele. This team also includes the Alaska TACSEI Pyramid Partnership Coordinator and technical support. The State Coordination Team meets monthly with the National TACSEI Consultants.



Coordination of the Partnership is through a private consultant/contractor Charlie Johanson-Adams, Leading EDGE Consulting. Coordination of the Alaska TACSEI Pyramid Partnership will take .5 FTE, while the virtual and technical support for the Partnership is provided by Jeanette Gardiner, Gardiner Business Support Services at .25 FTE.

Distribution lists have been established for wide and far-reaching recruitment of the Partnership's Master Cadre members, Coaches, Demonstration Sites, and Trainers. Well over 1,500 individuals and organizations within Alaska are actively connected to the Alaska TACSEI Pyramid Partnership Distribution List.

Alaska TACSEI Pyramid Partnership Members

Leadership Team	
Name	Organization
Angela Foster-Snow	Fairbanks Native Association EHS
Bradley Grigg	Children BH Clinician/ State of Alaska
Chris Sturm	PBS Coordinator/UCEDD
Cindy Adams	Child Care Programs Office
Coleen Turner	CSM/OCS
Erin Kinavey	Part C Coordinator/ Early Intervention Manager
Linae Sanger	Special Education Coordinator
Melinda Myers	Best Beginnings
Monica Luther	Alaska Infant Learning Program Association (AILPA)
Paul Sugar	Head Start Collaboration Director
Sharon Fishel	619 Coordinator
Shirley Pittz	ECCS Program Officer
Stephanie Berglund	thread (CCR&R) CEO
Sue Pope	UAA School of Social Work
Susan Steele	619 Coordinator
Teresa Holt	GCDSE/Parent
Steering Committee	
Name	Organization
Abbe Hensley	Best Beginnings
Angela Foster-Snow	Head Start Director
Amy Simpson	ILP Director
Jane Atuk	State ILP Specialist
Margaret Bauer	Child Care Director/AKAEYC
Bev Ingram	ILP Director
Brita Bishop	DHSS Commissioner's Office, Health Program Manager
Erin Schneider	ILP Director
Laurie Thomas	ILP Director
Lori Roth	Project Circle Director
Melissa Pickle	RurAL CAP PAT Training Coordinator
Pam Schackelford	Stone Soup Group/PTI Director
Carol Prentice	Head Start Training /Technical Assistance
Richard Kiefer-O'Donnell	
Millie Ryan	GCDSE Executive Director
Sheila Sellers	UAA ECSE Masters Program Coordinator
Stacy Toner	Deputy Director BH
Veronica Plumb	UAF EC Distance Ed Program Coordinator
Stephen Williams	MH Trust Program Officer (funding officer)
Stephanie Wrightsman-Birch	DPH Women, Children Family Health Director

State Support Team	
Name	Organization
Charlie Johanson-Adams	Leading EDGE Consulting
Jeanette Gardiner	Gardiner Business Support Services
Meghan Johnson	Training Coordinator
National Support Team	
Name	Organization
Barbara Smith	TACSEI
Phil Strain	TACSEI
Ron Roybal	TACSEI
Lise Fox	TACSEI