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Child Wellbeing Task Force

August 12, 2020

Governor Bill Lee's Child Wellbeing Task Force

The goal of the task force is to ensure that the **needs of Tennessee children are met** during and after extended periods away from school, and to **empower local communities to meaningfully engage** in ways that support child wellbeing.



Deliverables

The Task Force will produce the following deliverables:

- By October 2020 the Task Force will develop the **Pandemic Preparation Toolkit**, outlining a more comprehensive set of **recommendations, action items**, and **planning tools** for **local communities** for any future school closures.

Meeting Outline

We will :

- Review final wellbeing check guidance
- Discuss available digital and virtual resources
- Finalize funding and reporting recommendation
- Begin developing Pandemic Preparation Toolkit

Agenda

2:00 – 2:15	Welcome
2:15 – 2:40	Discussion
2:40-2:45	Close Out and Next Steps



Website

The screenshot shows the Tennessee Department of Education website. At the top left is the TN Department of Education logo. To the right is a search bar labeled "Search Education" and a "Go to TN.gov" link. Below the header is a navigation menu with items: Top Links, About TDOE, Instruction, For Educators, For Students & Families, For Districts, News, and PBS Teaching Tennessee. A red banner below the navigation menu reads "FIND COVID-19 INFORMATION AND RESOURCES". The main content area is titled "Child Wellbeing Task Force" and includes a description of the task force's purpose, a list of reports and resources, and meeting materials for June 24 and July 8.

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Child Wellbeing Task Force

The COVID-19 Child Wellbeing Task Force was created to support the holistic needs of Tennessee children in response to extended school building closures.

Governor Bill Lee charged Commissioner Schwinn to convene the COVID-19 Child Wellbeing Task Force in response to the pandemic's long-term effects on Tennessee's school districts and students. The goal of the Task Force is to help communities come together to check on our kids.

The objectives and members of the Task Force are [here](#).

Task Force Reports and Resources

- [Initial COVID-19 Impact Report](#)
 - [Initial COVID-19 Impact Report Summary](#)
- [Wellbeing Checks Publication](#)

Task Force Meeting Materials

June 24 Meeting

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July 8 Meeting



Wellbeing Check Guidance: LIVE

WELLBEING CHECKS



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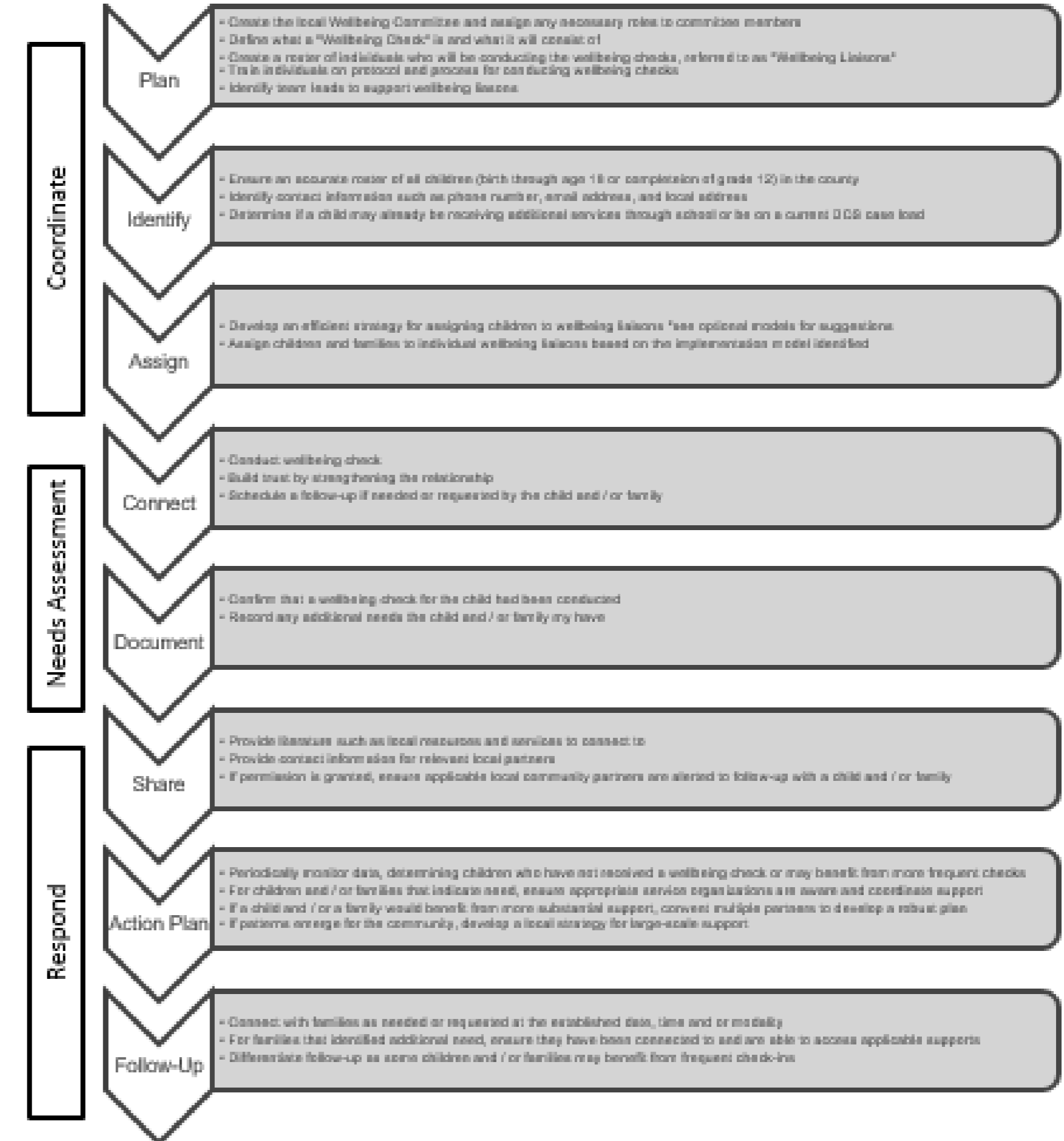
I. Wellbeing Checks: Summer and School Reopening

Tennessee Governor Bill Lee tasked Education Commissioner, Dr. I Child Wellbeing Task Force (Task Force) with the goal of ensuring that children are met during and after extended periods away from school communities to meaningfully engage in ways that support child well-being. The Task Force was to establish a guidance document to ensure all children are met and developing a plan to respond to those needs. Many children through their schools such as, nutritious meal service, physical and mental engagement or enrichment activities. In matters of suspected trauma based staff are most likely to report concerns and initiate access to additional services. Children who have been away from school buildings for approximately five months, experiencing adversity due to the pandemic, deliberate steps will need stakeholder support in the community to ensure the wellness of children, as well as resources to shoulder this responsibility alone.

Goal: By September 1, 2020, 100% of Tennessee children will receive a wellbeing check.

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Implementation Process



Digital and Virtual Resources

- \$15 million for Statewide Wifi and Mifi
- Best for All Central
 - Whole Child Online Tool
 - Variety of resources for educators, families, students, and community partners
 - Resource Mapping – Summer 2021
- Pathfinder
- 211
- Kid Central
- Others available tools for local selection and utility?
 - Telehealth



Close Out

For September:

Homework: **Due September 2**

- Review TEMA guide and PREPARE Manual
- Identify contents for Pandemic Preparation Toolkit and email to katie.houghtlin@tn.gov
- Pandemic Preparation Toolkit: Due October
 - outlining a more comprehensive set of **recommendations, action items, and planning tools** for **local communities** for any future school closures.
- Next call: *TENTATIVE*
 - Grand Regional Subcommittee – Wed., September 2
 - Full CWTF – Wed., September 16, 2:00-2:45 CT

