Documentation of AVATAR Technical Assistance Phone Conversation

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Status of documentation: Data assessment is being completed and readied for discussion. The team is strong and very dedicated. The team is the same as the 2012 team for Chemistry and additional members are being added. Monthly meeting are set for September – December 2013. Dr. Saenz is identifying a co-chair.

Topics discussed: Chemistry is the focused discipline due to the need for STEM careers. They are going to focus on the regular chemistry. The group is exploring ways to engage and utilize the transition counselors that are at two year institutions of higher education. Strong outcomes are expected and ECS Region 1 is supporting the work. Chemistry course outlines, exams, and study guides are being reviewed. HB-5 is being discussed as well.

Follow-up actions: Amy will follow up with Dr. Saenz regarding the region's Action Plan, team members, and meeting minutes.