



Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

NEVADA EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL (ECAC)

PUBLIC MEETING

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2019

9:00 AM

“Nevada’s children will be safe, healthy, and thriving during the first eight years of life, and the system will support children and families in achieving their full potential.”

Meeting Locations:

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Office	Address	City	Meeting Room
Nevada Department of Education	2080 E. Flamingo, Ste. 114	Las Vegas, Nevada	Upstairs Suite 210
Nevada Department of Education	700 E. Fifth Street	Carson City, Nevada	Silver Ore
Early Childhood Professional Development Center	240 Rock Blvd	Reno, Nevada	Training Room

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AGENDA

1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call

Marty Elquist, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Chair.

2. Public Comment #1

Public Comment will be taken during this agenda item regarding any item appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter discussed under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. The Council Chair of the Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council will impose a time limit of three minutes. Public Comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comment on any matter within the Council’s jurisdiction, control or advisory power.

3. Approval of Flexible Agenda

(For Possible Action) The Council will approve a flexible agenda.

Marty Elquist, Council Chair

4. Item A: Minutes from October 23, 2019

(Discussion, For Possible Action) The Council will discuss and approve the minutes.

Marty Elquist, Council Chair

Materials: October 23, 2019 Minutes



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5. **Item B: PDG:B-5 Need Assessment Alignment to Strategic Plan - Modifications**

(Information/Discussion/For Possible Action) Modify ECAC strategic plan and ECAC committee action plans to address gaps identified in PDG:B-5 Needs Assessment and Pritzker Pre-Natal to Three Collaborative Focus Groups

Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy; Angela Triche & Dolores Hauck, Family & Community Subcommittee Chairs; Lori-Ann Molina-Lovell, Health Subcommittee Interim Chair; Anna Severens & Tina Springmeyer, Early Learning Subcommittee Chairs

Materials: Strategic Plan, Subcommittee Action Plans

6. **Item C: Key Performance Indicators**

(Information/Discussion/For Possible Action) Identify Key Performance Indicators to measure plan success.

Marty Elquist, ECAC Chair; Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Nevada Institute for Children's Research & Policy

Materials: Draft Key Performance Indicators

7. **Item D: Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS) Deep Dive Study**

(Information/Discussion/For Possible Action) Update on study aimed to identify barriers for 1- and 2-star rated programs in maintenance cycle(s) to improve quality to 3-stars or higher.

Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy

Public comment allowed

8. **Item E: Health Subcommittee Chair**

(Information/Discussion/For Possible Action) Appoint chair of Health subcommittee to replace Megan Wickland.

Marty Elquist, ECAC Chair

9. **Item F: Subcommittee Updates**

(Information/Discussion/For Possible Action) Update on subcommittee membership and action step planning. Identify any new or upcoming needs assessments that are being conducted in respective areas to add to inventory.

Marty Elquist, ECAC Chair; Angela Triche & Dolores Hauck, Family & Community Subcommittee Chairs; Lori Ann Molina-Lovell, Health Subcommittee Interim Chair; Anna Severens & Tina Springmeyer, Early Learning Subcommittee Chairs

Public comment allowed

10. **Item G: Facebook Page**

(Information/Discussion/For Possible Action) Discuss the status of the ECAC Facebook Page.

Anna Severens, Nevada Department of Education

Public comment allowed

11. **Item H: Child Care Licensing Update**

(Information/Discussion/For Possible Action) Update on Child Care Licensing.

Yah-ner Walker, Child Care Licensing

Public comment allowed

12. **Item I: Legislative Session Updates and 2020 Census**

(Information/Discussion) Preparation for Nevada's 2021 Legislative Session and issues related to early childhood. The Children's Advocacy will also discuss the importance of and pending legislation regarding the 2020 Census as it relates to children.

Denise Tanata & Jared Busker, Children's Advocacy Alliance

Public comment allowed



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13. Item J: Strong Start Updates

(Discussion/ Information/For Possible Action) The council will be updated on the progress of the Strong Start and be asked for guidance in moving the Strong Start agenda and activities forward.

Denise Tanata, Children's Advocacy Alliance

Public comment allowed

14. Item K: Nevada Department of Education Updates

(Discussion/Information) The Council will receive updates from NDE on KEA, Read by Three, CCDF quality, PDG-5, and other NDE early childhood programs and projects.

Patti Oya, Office of Early Learning and Development

Public comment allowed

15. Item L: QRIS Update

(Discussion/ Information) The council will be updated on the progress of Silver State Stars QRIS.

Emily Champlin, Nevada Department of Education

Public comment allowed

16. Item M: Local ECAC Updates

(Information/Discussion) Updates from the local ECAC

Head of Local ECAC Chairs

Public comment allowed

17. Item N: NevAEYC Updates

(Information/Discussion) Updates from NevAEYC

Carrie Paldi, Creative Kids Learning Center

Public comment allowed

18. Item O: Future Agenda Items

(Discussion/ For Possible Action) Council will discuss what they would like on the upcoming agendas.

Marty Elquist, Council Chair

19. Public Comment #2

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20. Adjournment