



## Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

### NEVADA EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL (ECAC) POLICY AND FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE **PUBLIC MEETING** THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 09, 2023 **1:00 PM**

*“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 Location:**

This meeting will be held via Zoom videoconference:

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*The Subcommittee Co-Chairs reserve the right to call items of the agenda out of order as needed.*

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## AGENDA

**1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call**

*Julie Houchins and Elysa Arroyo, Subcommittee Co-Chairs*

**2. Public Comment #1**

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*Chairs may impose a time limit of three minutes. Public Comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comment on any matter within the Subcommittee's jurisdiction, control or advisory power.*

### **3. Approval of a Flexible Agenda**

*(Discussion, For Possible Action)*

*Julie Houchins and Elysa Arroyo, Subcommittee Co-Chairs*

### **4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 14, 2023**

*(Discussion, For Possible Action)*

*Julie Houchins and Elysa Arroyo, Subcommittee Co-Chairs*

### **5. Share Updates on Policy Recommendations for 2024 Interim & 2025 Legislative Session to present in Annual Report by December 1st. Committee will develop a list of potential policy recommendations for the ECAC to review/approve in the September ECAC meeting to include in Annual Report to the Governor.**

*(Discussion, For Possible Action)*

*Julie Houchins and Elysa Arroyo, Subcommittee Co-Chairs*

### **6. Announcement of the Release of the Nevada Pre-Kindergarten Standards, Revised 2023**

*(Discussion, For Possible Action)*

*Rachel Stepina, Preschool Development Grant Manager B-5, Nevada DOE, OELD*

### **7. Discuss Development of Early Childhood Programs Eligibility Portal**

*(Discussion, For Possible Action) Members will continue to discuss the establishment of an Early Childhood Programs Eligibility Portal, similar to the First 5 South Carolina First Steps online system (see link below). Members will review the EC Program Eligibility Portal Document to identify all relevant Early Childhood Programs, eligibility criteria and key contacts. Members may discuss additional issues relevant to the development of the portal.*

*Julie Houchins and Elysa Arroyo, Subcommittee Co-Chairs*

*Materials: [EC Program Eligibility Portal Document](#)*

*Sample: First 5 South Carolina - <https://first5sc.org/>*

### **8. Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting (December 14, 2023), Including Presentation or Discussion Requests from EC Systems Partners**

*(Discussion, For Possible Action)*

*Julie Houchins and Elysa Arroyo, Subcommittee Co-Chairs*

### **9. Public comment #2**

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### **10. Adjournment**