



Nevada Early Childhood
Advisory Council

NEVADA EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL (ECAC)

PUBLIC MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024, • 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:

Las Vegas

Child Care Services Center – Training Room
1771 E. Flamingo Road, Suite 200B
Las Vegas, NV 89119

Reno

Child Care Services Center – Training Room
961 Matley Lane, Suite 110
Reno, 89502

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AGENDA

1. Welcome, Call to Order, Membership Updates and Roll Call

*Tiffany Alston, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Chair
Patrice Gardner, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Vice 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 the 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 (Discussion for Possible Action)

The Council will approve a flexible agenda. The Board may take agenda items out of order; combine two or more agenda items for consideration; remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

*Tiffany Alston, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Chair
Patrice Gardner, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Vice Chair*

4. Minutes from [March 20th, 2024](#) (Discussion, For Possible Action)

The Council will discuss and approve the minutes.

*Tiffany Alston, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Chair
Patrice Gardner, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Vice Chair*

5. Children's Funding Project (Information/Discussion)

The Council will hear an updated presentation regarding the Children's Funding Project.

Denise Tanada, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Consultant, The Children's Cabinet

6. First Five Nevada Update (Information/Discussion)

The Council will hear an update regarding the eligibility portal website.

Denise Tanada, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Consultant, The Children's Cabinet

7. Early Childhood System Definition (Discussion for Possible Action)

The Council will discuss and or vote on the Early Childhood Systems Definition

*Denise Tanada, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Consultant, The Children's Cabinet
Tiffany Olivas, ECCS Manager 2, The Children's Cabinet*

8. Nevada Early Childhood Family Leadership Council Updates (Information/Discussion)

The Council will hear updates from the Nevada Early Childhood Family Leadership Council.

Ashley Dines, The Children's Cabinet, Parent Leadership Coordinator (South), The Children's Cabinet



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Rosa Tamayo, The Children's Cabinet, Parent Leadership Coordinator (North), The Children's Cabinet

9. Parent Voice and Updates *(Information/Discussion)*

(Information/Discussion) The Council will hear updates or share outs from parents attending the ECAC meeting, including but not limited to parent representatives or groups such as the Children's Advocacy Ambassadors program, Nevada Family Engagement Framework Advisory Committee, etc.

10. Subcommittee Updates and Workplan *(Information/Discussion)*

Discuss updates, recommendations and workplan progress from ECAC Subcommittees and priorities for 2024.

- *Leadership Subcommittee – Tiffany Alston and Patrice Gardner, Co-Chairs*
- *System Alignment Subcommittee – Tiffany Olivas, Abbey Bernhart, Co-Chairs*
- *Communications and Engagement Subcommittee – Jennifer Butler, Co-chair*
- *Finance and Policy Subcommittee – Elysa Arroyo, and Brenda Morales-Chairs*
- *Data and Evaluation Subcommittee – Marty Elquist and Karrissa Loper, Co-Chairs*

11. Local ECAC Updates (Information Discussion)

Discuss updates from Local ECACs.

- *Carson/Douglas ECAC – Tiffany Olivas*
- *Elko County ECAC – Kelly Melendez*
- *Southern Nevada ECAC – Amanda Haboush-Deloye*
- *Tri-counties ECAC – Ashleigh Baker*
- *Washoe County ECAC – Kacey Edgington, Anna Severens*

12. State Agency and Partner Report Summary Updates *(Information/Discussion)*

Relevant informational items from state agencies and departments on programs, services, initiatives and/or issues relevant to the ECAC Strategic Plan and work of the Council. Partners submit their reports in advance. When no update is provided in advance, listed partners will be given the opportunity to share a brief update verbally if a representative is present. Summary reports are provided in the Partner Summary Report document.

- *Department of Education*
 - *Office of Early Learning & Development – Patti Oya*
 - *Early Childhood Special Education-*
 - *Office of Student & School Supports –*
- *Department of Health and Human Services*
 - *Division of Welfare and Supportive Services, Child Care Development Program – Karissa Loper*
 - *Division of Child and Family Services, Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health – Tami Conn*
 - *Department of Public and Behavioral Health, Childcare Licensing – Edith Farmer*
 - *Department of Public and Behavioral Health, Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health – Vickie Ives*
 - *Director's Office, Aging and Disability Services, Part C and NEIS – Lori Ann Malina-Lovell*
- *Pyramid Model Update – Janice Lee*
- *Research and Needs Assessments – Amanda Haboush-Deloye*
- *NevAEYC Update – Carrie Paldi*
- *Nevada Child Care Provider Action Committee – Carrie Paldi*
- *Pritzker PN3 Initiative and Strong Start Update – Jamelle Nance/Annette Dawson-Owens*
- *HRSA Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Grant Update – Tiffany Olivas*
- *ECE Workforce Plan – Jamie Mendez*
- *NV Early Childhood Family Leadership Council – Ashley Dines/Rosa Tamayo*
- *New or Potential Grants and Funding – All*



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- *Training & Professional Development Opportunities - All*

13. Upcoming Meetings (*Information*)

May 2024

- Meeting 14th - Communication & Engagement Subcommittee
- Meeting 15th - Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (NECAC)
- Meeting 16th - Data & Evaluation Subcommittee
- Meeting 30th - System & Alignment Subcommittee

June 2024

- Meeting - 4th Leadership Subcommittee
- Meeting - 13th Policy & Finance Subcommittee
- Meeting - 20th Data & Evaluation Subcommittee

July 2024

- Meeting - 2nd Leadership Subcommittee
- Meeting - 9th - Communication & Engagement Subcommittee
- Meeting - 17th - Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (NECAC)
- Meeting - 18th - Data and Evaluation Subcommittee

14. Public Comment #2

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15. Adjournment