



Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

NEVADA EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL (ECAC)

PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, July 17, 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
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AGENDA

1. Welcome, Call to Order, Membership Update 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 Council 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.
Tiffany Alston, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Chair
Patrice Gardner, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Vice Chair*

4. Minutes from May 29, 2024 (Discussion, For Possible Action)

*The Council will discuss and approve the minutes for May 29, 2024,
Tiffany Alston, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council, Chair
Patrice Gardner, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Vice Chair*

5. Nevada Early Childhood Language Access Plan (Discussion for Possible Action)

*The Council will hear an update regarding the Nevada Early Childhood Language Access Plan
Rachel Stepina, Grant Manager, Preschool Development Grant Birth through Five*

6. Gap Analysis and Revenue Plan update (Information/Discussion)

*The Council will hear a review of the Gap analysis and an update on the revenue plan
Denise Tanata, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Consultant, The Children's Cabinet
The Children's Funding Project*

7. Prenatal to 5 Fiscal Strategies/Maternal Methodology (Information/Discussion)

*The council will hear a presentation
Karissa Machado Loper, Agency Manager, The Children's Cabinet*

8. Vulnerable Population and Underserved Population Definition Approval (Discussion for Possible Action)

*The council will vote to adopt the Vulnerable and Underserved Population Definition
Marty Elquist, Department Director, The Children's Cabinet*

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

*The Council will hear from the Nevada Early Childhood Family Leadership Council Parent Spotlight
Ashley Dines, The Children's Cabinet, Parent Leadership Coordinator (South), The Children's Cabinet
Rosa Tamayo, The Children's Cabinet, Parent Leadership Coordinator (North), The Children's Cabinet
Laurie Henderson, Parent*



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10. Ad hoc Committee Conversation /Discussion for Possible Action)

The Council will discuss adding an ad hoc committee for the purpose of ECAC strategic planning.

Tiffany Alston, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council, Chair

Patrice Gardner, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Vice Chair

11. 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 Machado Loper, Co-Chairs*
- ECAC Website updates (Information/discussion for possible action)**

12. 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*

13. 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*
 - *Quality Rating Improvement System- Sara Kharrat*
 - *Preschool Development Grant Birth thru Five- Rachel Stepina*
 - *Early Childhood Special Education*
 - *Office of Student & School Supports*
 - *Pre-Kindergarten*
- *Department of Health and Human Services*
 - *Division of Welfare and Supportive Services, Child Care Development Program – Karissa M. Loper*
 - *Division of Child and Family Services, Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health – Rhonda Lawerance*
 - *Department of Public and Behavioral Health, Childcare Licensing – Edith Farmer*
 - *Department of Public and Behavioral Health, Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health – Tammi Conn*



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- *Director's Office, Aging and Disability Services, Part C and NEIS – Lori Ann Malina-Lovell*
- *Pyramid Model Update – Janice Lee*
- *Research and Needs Assessments (NICRP) – 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*
- *Training & Professional Development Opportunities - All*

14. Upcoming Meetings Schedule (Information)

July 2024

Meeting July 2nd 11am- Leadership Subcommittee

Meeting July 9th -1pm- Communication & Engagement Subcommittee

Meeting July 11th, 1pm- Policy and Finance Subcommittee

Meeting July 17th, 9am - Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

Meeting July 18th, 1pm - Data and Evaluation Subcommittee

August 2024

Meeting August 6th, 11am- Leadership Subcommittee

Meeting August 8th, 1p, - Finance and Policy Subcommittee

Meeting August 15th, 1pm- Data and Evaluation Subcommittee

Meeting August 28th, 1pm -System Alignment Subcommittee

ECAC New Member Orientation August 17, 2024, 11am

A Look Ahead

Next General ECAC Meeting, September 18th at 9:00am

ECAC New Member Orientation October 16th, 2024, 11am

ECAC New Member Orientation December 18th, 2024, 11am

15. Public Comment #2 (Discussion for Possible Action)

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16. Adjournment