



# Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

## NEVADA EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL (ECAC)

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

### PUBLIC MEETING

**Tuesday, November 5, 2024**

**11:00am-12:30pm**

*“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.”*

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## AGENDA

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

*Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC 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 Co-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 Flexible Agenda (Discussion for Possible Action)**

The Subcommittee will approve a flexible agenda. The Subcommittee 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 ECAC Executive Leadership Subcommittee Meeting Agenda – Page 1- 3 of the agenda at any time.

*Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair*

**4. Minutes from October 1, 2024 (Discussion for Possible Action)**

The Subcommittee will review and approve October 1, 2024, minutes.

*Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair*

**5. Local ECAC Mini-Grant Connections (Discussion for Possible Action)**

The Subcommittee will discuss updates from the Local ECAC Mini-Grants project

*Rachel Stepina, Grant Manager PDG- B5 Office of Early Learning and Development, Nevada Department of Education*

**6. Strategic Plan 2025-2027 Updates (Discussion for Possible Action)**

The Subcommittee will discuss Strategic Plan updates

*Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair*

*Rachel Stepina, Grant Manager PDG- B5, Office of Early Learning and Development, Nevada Department of Education*

**7. Annual Report and Policy Recommendation (Discussion for Possible Action)**

The Subcommittee will discuss approval of 2024 policy recommendations to be included in Early Childhood Advisory Council 's Annual Report.

*Elysa Arroyo and Brenda Morales-Solorzano, ECAC Policy and Finance Subcommittee Co-chairs*

**8. Pending Legislation Session 2025/Work-Plan Activity Objective 1.1 (Discussion for Possible Action)** The Subcommittee will develop a list of key recommendations (functions, activities, priorities, structure, alignment) for Legislation Session 2025.

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



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### 9. Nevada Early Childhood Family Leadership Council (NECFLC) Coordinator and Parent update (Information/Discussion)

The Subcommittee will hear updates regarding the work of the Nevada Early Childhood Family Leadership Council and parent spotlight (including but not limited to; the rubric, mentorship program, events, and meeting recaps).  
*Ashley Dines, Anna Villatora and Tiffany Olivas, The Children's Cabinet*

### 10. First Five Nevada Program Inclusion Requests (Discussion for Possible Action)

The Subcommittee will discuss the First Five Nevada website Community Partners Inclusion Request  
*Denise Tanata, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Advisor, The Children's Cabinet*

### 11. 2025 ECAC Meeting Schedule Review & Approval (Discussion for Possible Action)

The Subcommittee will review the 2025 ECAC General ECAC and Subcommittee Meeting schedule, then discuss and approve schedule to move to the General ECAC November meeting for final vote.  
*Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair*

### 12. Workplan Review and Upcoming Executive Leadership Meeting Agenda Items (Discussion for Possible Action)

The Subcommittee will discuss updates, progress and needs related to the Combined Subcommittee Workplan document. The Subcommittee will use this discussion to inform agenda items for the next Executive Leadership and/or the next General ECAC Meeting.

- Executive Leadership Subcommittee – *Tiffany Alston and Patrice Gardner, Co-Chairs*
- Systems Alignment Subcommittee – *Tiffany Olivas and Abbey Bernhardt, Co-Chairs*
- Communications and Engagement Subcommittee – *Jennifer Butler and Jamelle Nance, Co-Chairs*
- Policy and Finance Subcommittee – *Elysa Arroyo and Brenda Morales-Solorzano, Co-Chairs*
- Data and Evaluation Subcommittee – *Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Co-Chairs*
- Updates: Subcommittees, Co-Chairs, Vacancies, Orientation- *Sabrina Jones, ECAC Systems Specialist*

### 13. Discuss Agenda Items for the Upcoming General ECAC Meeting in January, 2025 (Discussion for Possible Action)

The Subcommittee will discuss agenda items for the upcoming General ECAC meeting.  
*Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair*

### 14. Upcoming Meetings (Informational)

- **November Meeting Schedule:**
  - Communication & Engagement Subcommittee: November 12<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am to 10:30am
  - Policy and Finance Subcommittee: November 14<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm to 2:00pm
  - General ECAC: November 20<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am to 12:00pm
  - Data and Evaluation Subcommittee : November 21<sup>st</sup>, 1:00pm to 3:00pm
  - Systems Alignment Subcommittee- Rescheduling November Meeting
- **A Look Ahead:**
  - ECAC New Member Orientation: December 18, 2024, at 11:00am
    - To register, email [Brandi.hearst@doe.nv.gov](mailto:Brandi.hearst@doe.nv.gov) and [Sabrina.jones@doe.nv.gov](mailto:Sabrina.jones@doe.nv.gov)



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

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### **16. Adjournment**