



# Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

## Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC) Executive Leadership Subcommittee

Public Meeting  
Tuesday, April 01, 2025  
11:00am-12:30pm

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## **AGENDA**

### **1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call 7 min.**

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

### **2. Public Comment #1 5 min.**

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 two 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) 3 min.**

The Subcommittee will vote to 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 at any time.

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

### **4. Minutes from March 04, 2025 (Discussion for Possible Action) 3 min.**

The Subcommittee will vote to approve March 04, 2025, Minutes.

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

### **5. Legislative Session Updates (Informational, Discussion) 10 min**

Subcommittee updated on Policy and Legislation topics in Nevada.

*Dr. Jamelle Nance, Communication and Engagement Co-Chair*

### **6. Best Practices Statement (Discussion for Possible Action) 10 min**

The Data and Evaluation Subcommittee is bringing their newly approved Data "Best Practices" Statement to review and for a vote of approval to take to the General ECAC for final Vote and approval as the Official Statement of Best Practices for Data Collection from the Early Childhood Advisory Council, Data and Evaluation Subcommittee.

*Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Data and Evaluation Co-Chairs*

### **7. Systems Alignment Sector Survey (Discussion and Possible Action), 10 min**

Subcommittee to hear the Systems Alignment work on finding potential gaps in Early Childhood System representation within Nevada ECAC and advise and/or provide feedback in regard to new Self Identifying Sector Survey.

*Tiffany Olivas and Abbey Bernhardt, Systems Alignment Subcommittee Co-Chairs*

### **8. UPDATE Re: Topics for Early Childhood Research Briefs Newsletter (Discussion for Possible Action) 10 min.**

The Subcommittee will hear updates regarding accepted topics for the Early Childhood Research Briefs Newsletter.

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

*Brandi Hearst, ECAC Administrative Coordinator, Sabrina Jones, ECAC Systems Alignment*

### **9. First Five Nevada Family Leadership Council (Informational, Discussion) 10 min.**

The Subcommittee will hear updates regarding the work of the Nevada Early Childhood Family Leadership Council

*Ashley Dines, Anna Villatoro and Tiffany Olivas, The Children's Cabinet*





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### **10. First Five Nevada Program Inclusion Requests** (*Discussion for Possible Action*) **5 min.**

The Subcommittee will discuss the monthly Inclusion Request Report and review any requests, as needed.

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

### **11. Work Plan Updates** (*Discussion, for Possible Action*) **20 min.**

The Subcommittee will discuss action items, updates, progress and their needs, moving forward to succeed in completing Work Plan goals.

- **Executive Leadership** – Tiffany Alston, ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, ECAC Vice-Chair
  - **ECAC Updates** - Sabrina Jones, ECAC Systems Specialist
- **Systems Alignment** – Tiffany Olivas and Abbey Bernhardt, Co-Chairs
- **Communications and Engagement** – Dr. Jamelle Nance and (Vacancy), Co-Chair
- **Policy and Finance** – Elysa Arroyo and Denise Tanata, Co-Chairs
- **Data and Evaluation** – Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Co-Chairs

### **12. Agenda Items for May 6, 2025 Executive Leadership Meeting** (*Discussion and Possible Action*) **5 min.**

Subcommittee members can request additional items to add to the May 06, 2025 Executive Leadership Agenda.

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

### **13. Agenda Items for May 21, 2025 General ECAC Meeting** (*Discussion and Possible Action*) **5 min.**

Subcommittee members can request additional items to add to the May 21, 2025 General ECAC Agenda keeping in mind.

This General ECAC meeting is scheduled for a VIRTUAL 2-hour meeting in the evening from 5:30-7:30pm. Members have the opportunity to discuss what items to keep and if any should be removed for sake of time.

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

### **14. Upcoming Meetings** (*Informational*) **0 min**

- Communication & Engagement: 4.08.25, 9:00am
- Policy and Finance: 4.10.25, 1:00pm
- Communication Ad-Hoc: 4.15.25, 1:30pm
- Data and Evaluation: 4.17.25, 1:00pm
- Systems Alignment: 4.23.25, 1:00pm
- Executive Leadership: 5.06.25, 11:00am
- General ECAC: 5.21.25, 5:30am-7:30pm, VIRTUAL ONLY
- New Member Orientation: 4.29.25, 11:00am
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### **15. Public Comment #2** (*Discussion for Possible Action*), **6 min**

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### **16. Adjournment**

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

