

# Policy Roundtable for Child Care & Development Commission

March 12, 2025



# Introductions: Name & Organization







# **Comments** from the Chair





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# Approval of Minutes February 12, 2025







## **Review of Policy Roundtable Leadership Transition Process**





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#### **Timeline**

- Nominations May and June 2025
- Election June 2025 (Election takes place every 2 years and in June of the 2<sup>nd</sup> bi-annual year)

### Who is Eligible to be an Officer (Chair and Vice-Chair)

- Each Roundtable member is eligible to serve as an officer
- An officer may be elected to additional consecutive terms; however, no officer shall be eligible to serve more than 2 consecutive terms

#### **Nomination Process**

- Vice-Chair recommends next Vice-Chair
- Candidates may be nominated prior to the election meeting and from the floor at the election meeting

#### **Election Process**

- All Roundtable *members* are eligible to vote in the election of officers
- The election will be held by voice-vote at the election meeting, there shall be no secret ballots or absentee voting
- In order for an election to take place at lease two-thirds of voting members must cast a vote for election of officers
- The candidate that receives a majority of votes will be declared the winner







## Presentation on Status of Local, State, and Federal Public Policies and Joint Committee on Legislation











### JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION

### Los Angeles ECE Child Care Windstorm and Wildfire Recovery Efforts

- Connect LA County childcare providers to resources and streamlined processes needed to rebuild and to connect providers with CA Disaster Unemployment Assistance Program.
- Identify short term staffing needs to support childcare programs
- Allow temporary use of other facilities for childcare programs for three years
- Prioritize emergency fire permits for childcare providers
- Support Budget proposals and legislation to meet the needs of affected childcare providers
- Report back in 30 days on progress: actions taken, number of childcare providers served, number of programs relocated or re-opened



### **STATE UPDATES**

### **Governor's Proposed Budget**

Not much for Early Childhood

- Funding is basically flat
- 2.43% COLA for Preschool, but not for Los Angeles Contractors
- \$1.1B Expansion of Transitional Kindergarten
- \$435M for Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP)
- Removing References to CDE in WIC Regulations
- Part time to Full Time Implementation Cleanup
- 12 month eligibility for new children



### Alternative Reimbursement Rate Methodology

State-CCPU JLMC's Base Rate Elements and Applicable Definitions for Family Providers and State-Proposed Center Definitions (as shared at the 12/11/2024 RQAP Meeting)

#### **Base Rate Elements**

Program Characteristics: Serving children birth to school age, full day, full year						
BASE Rate Elements	FFN (License-exempt)	Title 22 Licensed FCC	Title 5 Licensed FCC	Titie 22 Center	Title 5 Center	Background for JLMC Definition
Ratios and Group Size	Size of group at which the model is run is a selection point – TBD subject to bargaining.	Meets Licensing Standards, Title 22 Small Family Child Care: 1 adult 4 children (may include up to 4 Infants, Infant is defined as children under age 2) 1 adult 6 children (may include up to 3 Infants) 1 adult 8 children (may include up to 3 Infants and must include at least 2 children over age of 6) Large Family Child Care: 2 adults: 12 children (may include up to 4 Infants) 2 adults: 14 children (may include up to 3 Infants and must include at least 2 over the age of 6) Provider's own children under the age of 10 years must be included in adult to child ratio.	Meets Licensing Standards, Title 22 — (FCCHEN) Small Family Child Care: 1 adult 4 children (may include up to 4 Infants, Infant is defined as children under age 2) 1 adult 6 children (may include up to 3 infants) 1 adult8 children (may include up to 2 infants and must include at least 2 children over age of 6) Large Family Child Care: 2 adults: 12 children (may include up to 4 infants) 2 adults: 14 children (may include up to 3 infants and must include at least 2 over the age of 6) Provider's own children under the age of 10 years must be included in adult to child ratio.	teacher-child	Meets Licensing Standards, Title 22 and Title 5 Infants (0–18 months): 1:3 aduit-child, 1:18 teacher-child Toddiers (18–36 months): 1:4 aduit-child, 1:16 teacher-child Preschool (36 months to kindergarten): 1:8 aduit-child, 1:24 teacher-child School Age (kindergarten to 14 yr): 1:14 aduit-child, 1:28 teacher-child	FFN: Care for the children of only one family in addition to the operator's own children. No maximum group size according to regulations. Title 22, § 102358 Title 22: Title 22 § 101416.5 Staff-Infant Ratio; <u>Title 22 § 101417</u> Toddler Component in an Infant Care Center; <u>Title 22 §</u> 101216.3; <u>Title 22 § 101516.5</u> Teacher-Child Ratio Title 5: <u>Title 5, § 18290</u> – Staffing Ratios for Early Learning and Care Programs <u>Title 5, § 18291</u> – Commingling of Age Categories JLMC said further conversation and research is necessary to determine the equivalent concept for "maximum number of children for whom care may be provided at any one time" in the FFN context
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### **Proposed Legislation**

- Budget Act of 2025 AB 227 and SB 65
- AB 563 Strategic Planning Councils
- AB 753 Child Care and Preschool Teacher Requirements
- AB 904 Rate Reform
- AB 970 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting
- SB 99 Family Child Care Armed Forces
- SB 290 CalWORKS
- SB 507 Child Care Program Efficiency
- SB 778 Migrant Child Programs
- SB 792 State Median Income Threshold
- AB 49, AB 421 Immigration Enforcement



### Federal updates

- Federal Programs are at risk
- Many programs have been eliminated, or funding stopped, including Head Start.
  - Child Care & Development Block Grant is on the list of potential cuts
- Congress is voting on a Continuing Budget Resolution (CR) to fund the government through September 2025 and avoid a shutdown
  - Targeting cuts to "Waste, Fraud, and Abuse" in Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security Spending
  - President vows to protect
- Lots of confusion and uncertainty about what this means for California



Joint Committee on Legislation recommends the following PURSUITS of POSITION:

Support Establishment and Implementation of Alternative Rate Methodology

Support AB 49 – School Sites and Day Care Centers: Entry Requirements: Immigration Enforcement



### Discussion

- Any questions?
- Any other critical legislation or budget items that need to be elevated in this discussion?







## Approval of Pursuit of Position: Alternative Reimbursement Rate Methodology







### **Approval of Pursuit of Position:**

- Establish by July 1, 2025 an alternative rate methodology
- that reimburses ECE providers the true cost of providing
- state-subsidized child care based on Federal requirements;
- implement the new reimbursement rate structure by
- summer 2025; and allocate ongoing funding for the new
- reimbursement rate structure.





## Approval of Pursuit of Position: California Safe Haven Schools and Child Care







### **Approval of Pursuit of Position:**

- Support AB 49 and similar measures that strengthen
- protections for immigrant children in California by
- prohibiting immigration enforcement officers from
- entering schools and child care facilities without
- proper legal authorization.





### Strengthening LA County Service Coordination: Service Coordination Strategy Ad Hoc Update on Designing Service Coordination Strategy





### **Service Coordination Strategy Ad Hoc**



### Members

- Jacquelyn McCroskey
- Jessica Perea
- Nurhan Pirim
- Paul Pulver
- Steve Sturm

### Status

Ad Hoc examining possible connections points between LA County's Prevention and Promotion Systems Governing Committee activities, the Commission, and systems Commissioners are directly involved with



Next Steps Ad Hoc will develop Service Coordination Strategy recommendation to present to Commission by January 2025



## **Presentation on Child Care Planning Committee: Integration of the Early Care and Education Mixed Delivery System in Universal PreKindergarten**







COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



### **Child Care Planning Committee Updates**

Andrea Fernandez Mendoza, Child Care Planning Committee, Vice Chair

Wednesday, March 12, 2025



### Planning Committee Highlights February 5, 2025

- Presentation on 2025-26 Proposed Legislation
  - AB 49 (Muratsuchi): Establishes entry requirements for school sites and day care centers related to immigration enforcement.
  - SB 48 (Gonzalez): Addresses immigration enforcement at school sites, prohibiting access, information sharing, and law enforcement collaboration.
- Presentation on How to Create Safe Spaces in an Early Childhood
  Programs
  - o Liza M. Davis, The Children's Partnership

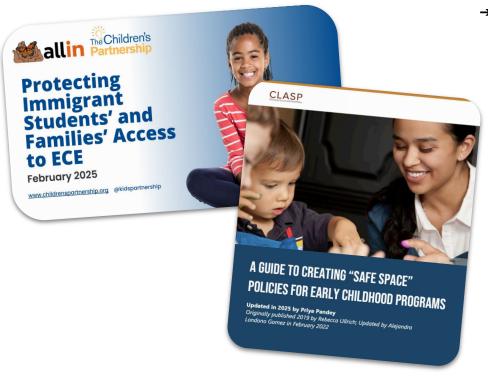


### **Child Care Planning Committee Update**





# Presentation on "Safe Space" Policies regarding Immigration Enforcement



 → ALL IN for Safe Schools campaign, a nationwide initiative that partners with educators, policymakers, organizations, and community partners to ensure that schools and early learning centers are safe for all families.

- → Share information with families about their rights
- → How to minimize disruptions
- → Ways to communicate with families



### Planning Committee Discussion February 5, 2025

- Need for comprehensive protections for all child care providers
- Concerns about trauma children may experience if caregivers are removed due to enforcement actions
- There was a call to include family childcare providers in policy discussions, focusing on preventing interactions with U.S.
   Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).AB 49 (Muratsuchi)





## Discussion and Possible Approval of the Creation of Ad Hoc Committee







## Announcements and General Public Comment







## Meeting in Review and Call to Adjourn









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