

## Child Care Planning Committee Proposed Ad Hocs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

To guide the Child Care Planning Committee (Planning Committee), ad hocs are established each program year. An ad hoc is a temporary group of the council that analyzes a topic and makes recommendations on a particular issue. Initial ad hocs are approved at the Planning Committee's September General Meeting, but additional ad hocs may be added during the year. Once an ad hoc has concluded its work, there is a vote at the Planning Committee General Meeting to dissolve it. Participation in an ad hoc is limited to councilmembers and alternates. As ad hocs are approved by the Planning Committee, councilmembers and alternates will be invited to join. Although OAECE staff and councilmembers may invite subject matter experts to present and inform their discussion, members of the public may not participate in an ad hoc. Typically, ad hocs meet virtually and take place on an as needed basis. The information below summarizes the need and rationale to establish the proposed ad hocs for FY 2025-2026.

### Governance Ad Hoc

**Purpose:** To oversee the Planning Committee governance and reporting processes, as well as to review proposed changes to the Planning Committee Member Policies and Procedures Manual. Activities may include informing the membership application process, developing the membership slate for fiscal year 2026-2027, and reviewing LPC state reports to the Planning Committee for approval.

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### Strategic Plan Ad Hoc

**Purpose:** To guide the development of the LA County ECE Strategic Plan 2026-2030. Activities may include advising the strategic planning consultant and providing feedback on the plan.

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### Family Access Ad Hoc

**Purpose:** To inform strategies to increase families' access to early care and education services taking into account needs, preferences, and barriers to access. Activities may include advising on approaches to increase parent's knowledge about early care and education options, especially for their 3 and 4 year old children.

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### Workforce Ad Hoc

**Purpose:** To support planning for the early care and education workforce, especially those serving preschool age children to ensure alignment with Universal PreKindergarten (UPK). Activities may include guiding strategies to better utilize Family Child Care Home Education Networks and strengthening access to professional development for early educators.

**Ad Hoc Liaison:** Nina Dubovitsky [NDubovitsky@ph.lacounty.gov](mailto:NDubovitsky@ph.lacounty.gov)

### Special Needs Ad Hoc

**Purpose:** To advise on the inclusion of children at risk for disabilities or with special needs in early care and education environments that are the least restrictive. Activities may include informing a landscape analysis of services available, especially for children ages 3 and 4 with special needs.

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