COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CHILD CARE PLANNING COMMITTEE
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Child Care Planning Committee
Ad hoc Groups for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

To guide the Child Care Planning Committee (Planning Committee), ad hoc groups 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 hoc groups are approved at the Planning Committee's September General Meeting, but additional ad hoc groups 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 hoc groups 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 hoc groups meet virtually and take place on an as needed basis. The information below summarizes the need and rationality to establish the proposed ad hoc groups for FY 2026-2027.

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.

Ad Hoc Liaison: Simone Taylor Staylor@ph.lacounty.gov

School Partnership Ad hoc

Purpose: To inform Universal PreKindergarten strategies to strengthen partnerships between local education agencies (school districts and charter schools) and the early care and education mixed delivery system

Ad Hoc Liaison: Maryam Diaab Mdiabb@ph.lacounty.gov

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 increasing parents' knowledge about early care and education options, especially for their 3- and 4-year old children.

Ad Hoc Liaison: Maryam Diaab Mdiabb@ph.lacounty.gov

UPK 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: Maryam Diaab Mdiabb@ph.lacounty.gov

Special Needs and Inclusion Ad Hoc

Purpose: To inform strategies on the inclusion of children 3 and 4 years old at risk for disabilities or with special needs in early care and education environments that are the least restrictive.

Ad Hoc Liaison: Sheronda Helton Shelton@ph.lacounty.gov