Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC)
Executive Leadership Subcommittee
Public Meeting
Tuesday, May 06, 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 and April 01, 2025 *(Discussion for Possible Action)* **3 min.**
The Subcommittee will vote to approve BOTH March 04, 2025, Minutes (revised) and April 01, 2025 minutes on 2 separate votes.
Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair

5. Subcommittee Key Messaging *(Discussion, Informational)* **5 min**
The Subcommittee to be presented with a Key Messaging Template from Communication and Engagement Ad-Hoc Co-Chairs and review the purpose and guidelines for key messages.
Dr. Nance, Communication and Engagement Co-Chair, Brianna Cambra, Communication Ad-Hoc Co-Chair, Denise Tanata, Policy and Finance Co-Chair

6. Legislative Session Updates *(Informational, Discussion)* **10 min**
Subcommittee updated on policy and legislation topics in Nevada.
Dr. Jamelle Nance, Communication and Engagement Co-Chair

7. Best Practices Statement *(Discussion for Possible Action)* **10 min**
The Data and Evaluation Subcommittee to present to the Executive Leadership Subcommittee their Data "Best Practices" Statement" for review and approval vote to then take to the General ECAC for final approval vote.
Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair
Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Data and Evaluation Co-Chairs

8. General ECAC Meeting Agenda Review *(Discussion and Possible Action)* **5 min.**
Subcommittee to review current agenda and decide what items to keep and/or remove to prepare for a shorter meeting. If available time, requests for additional items to be considered. This General ECAC meeting is scheduled for a VIRTUAL 2-hour meeting in the evening from 5:30-7:30pm.
Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair

9. Strategic Planning Preparation *(Discussion for Possible Action)* **10 min**
The Subcommittee to discuss and create a list of needs, discuss what action steps need to be completed to be "ready to move forward", review dates for possible discussions needing to take place, and identify if there is a need for a Strategic Planning Preparation Ad-Hoc as we prepare for the 2025-2027 Strategic Planning Vendor.
Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair

10. Executive Leadership Systems Alignment Discussion *(Discussion for Possible Action)*, **10 min**
Subcommittee to hear the Executive Leadership team discuss action steps for aligning the subcommittee's within the Nevada ECAC, tasks and goals to be delegated as needed.
Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair

11. Early Childhood Research Briefs Newsletter Topics *(Discussion for Possible Action)* **10 min.**
The Subcommittee will decide on topics to suggest for the Early Childhood Research Briefs Newsletter in the months of June, July, and August- theme and topic choices below
Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair
Brandi Hearst, ECAC Administrative Coordinator

June:

1. Workforce/ Early Childhood Professionals/ Child Care Providers/ Preschool Teachers
2. Workforce/ Early Childhood Professionals/ Child Care Providers/ Preschool Teachers + Inclusion
3. Workforce/ Early Childhood Professionals/ Child Care Providers/ Preschool Teachers + Suspension/Expulsion
4. Workforce/ Early Childhood Professionals/ Child Care Providers/ Preschool Teachers + Culture/race
5. National Safety Month
6. National Children's Day

July:

1. Policy/Legislation/Advocacy
2. Policy/Legislation/Advocacy + Inclusion
3. Policy/Legislation/Advocacy + Suspension/Expulsion
4. Policy/Legislation/Advocacy + Culture/race National Ice Cream Month
5. UV Safety Month
6. 'Make a Difference to Children' Month

August:

1. Child Nutrition programs
2. National School Lunch Program +Inclusion/Suspension/Expulsion/Culture/race
3. School Breakfast Program +Inclusion/Suspension/Expulsion/Culture/race
4. Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) +Inclusion/Suspension/Expulsion/Culture/race
5. Summer Food Service Program +Inclusion/Suspension/Expulsion/Culture/race
6. After-School Snacks and Meals +Inclusion/Suspension/Expulsion/Culture/race
7. National Immunization Awareness Month
8. Back-to-school Events
9. World Breastfeeding Week/National Breastfeeding Month
10. Children's Eye Health and Safety Month

11. First Five Nevada Family Leadership Council *(Informational, Discussion)* **10 min.**
The Subcommittee to hear updates regarding the work of the Nevada Early Childhood Family Leadership Council.
Ashley Dines, Anna Villatoro and Tiffany Olivas, The Children's Cabinet

12. 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, Policy and Finance Co-Chair

13. 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. Nance and (Vacancy), Co-Chair
- **Communication Ad-Hoc**- Dr. Nance and Brianna Campbell, Co-Chairs
- **Policy and Finance** – Elysa Arroyo and Denise Tanata, Co-Chairs
- **Data and Evaluation** – Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Co-Chairs

14. Agenda Items for June 6, 2025 Executive Leadership Meeting *(Discussion and Possible Action)* **5 min.**
Subcommittee members can request additional items to add to the June Executive Leadership Agenda.
Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair

15. Upcoming Meetings (*Informational)* **0 min**
- Policy and Finance: 5.08.25, 1:00pm
- Data and Evaluation: 5.10.25, 1:00pm
- Communication & Engagement: 5.13.25, 9:00am
- Communication Ad-Hoc: 5.20.25, 1:30pm
- General ECAC: 5.21.25, 5:30om-7:30pm, VIRTUAL ONLY
- Systems Alignment: 5.28.25. 1:00pm
- Executive Leadership: 6.03.25, 11:00am

16. Public Comment #2 *(Discussion for Possible Action),* **6 min**
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17. Adjournment
Tiffany Alston, Nevada ECAC Chair and Patrice Gardner, Nevada ECAC Vice Chair