

ECAC Meeting

September 21, 2023





New York State Early Childhood Steering Committee Meeting

September 21, 2023

10:30 am-3:30 pm

Location: NYS Museum, Albany, NY

Vision: All young children are healthy, learning, and thriving in families that are supported by a full complement of services and resources essential for successful development

Agenda Item	Topic	Presenters	Time
Welcome & Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Announcements 	Patty Persell Dona Anderson	10:30 am -11:10 am
State Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Agency Updates 	Suzanne Bolling Erik Sweet Ray Pierce Nora Yates	11:10 am- 11:40 am
Advocacy Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Childhood Advocacy Efforts 	Jenn O'Connor	11:40 am-11:50 am
B5 Needs Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B5 Grant Needs Assessment findings 	Erin Berical, Center for Human Services Research, SUNY	11:50 am – 12:10 pm
Lunch Break (please network)			12:10 pm- 1:10 pm
Strategic Plan Committee Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committees to prepare their Big Idea presentations. (Screen handout) 	All	1:15 pm – 1:45 pm
Committee Presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committees to pitch their big ideas for next year's recommendations 	Committee / Team Co-Leads	1:45 pm– 3:15 pm
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Steps • Closing Remarks 	All	3:15 pm- 3:30 pm

Newly Appointed ECAC Members

- **Dia Bryant**, Education Trust-NY
- **Alejandra Ortega**, Agri-Business Child Development Migrant & Seasonal Head Start
- **Lauren Moore**, NY State Education Department, NYS Library
- **Suzanne Bolling**, NY State Education Department, Office of Special Education

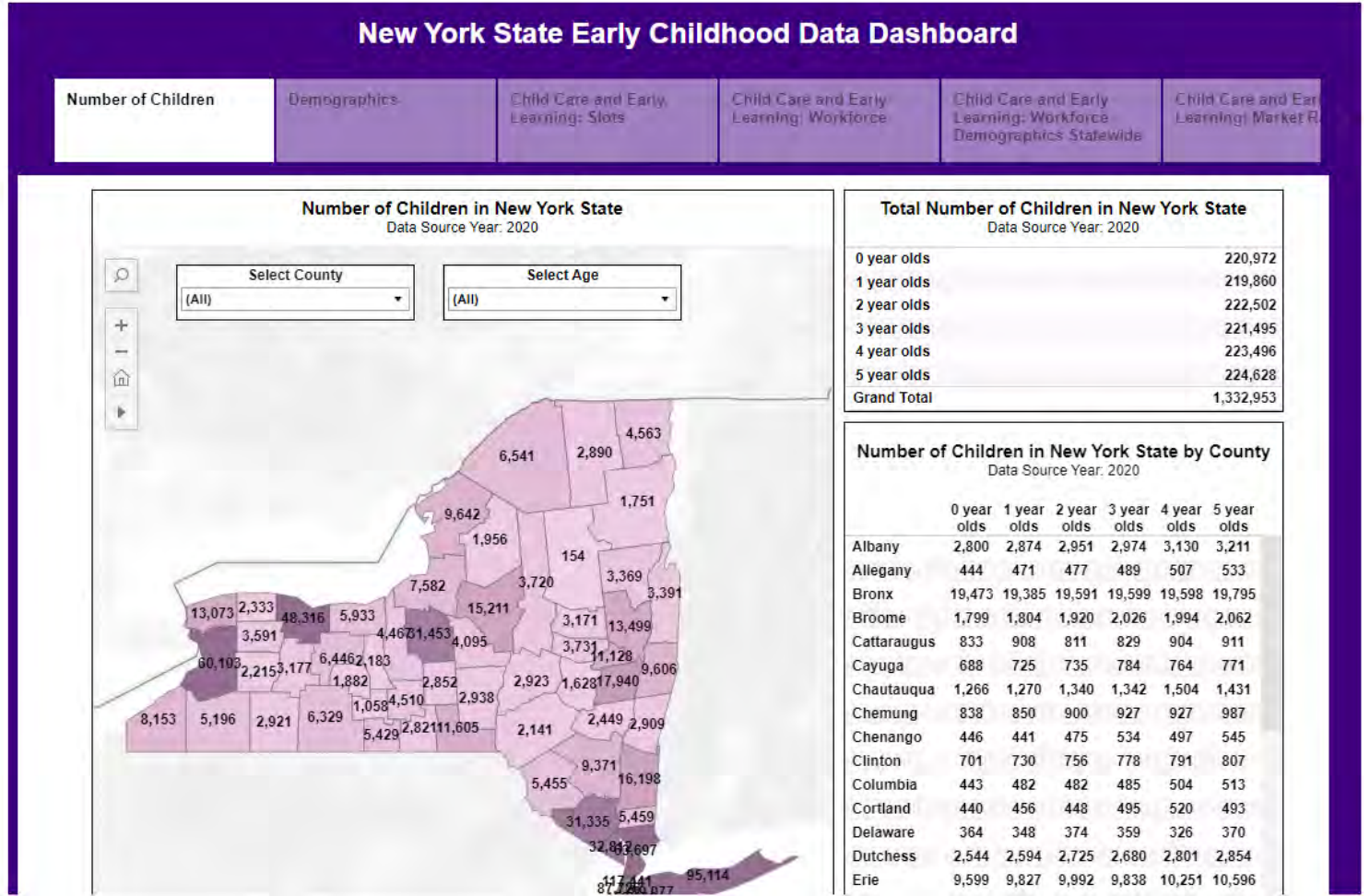
- **New ECAC Nominees**
 - Jane Fronheiser (replacing Melanie Faby)

New CCF ECAC Administrative Assistant: Robert Gutierrez – starting soon

Data Dashboard

“I love it and use it everyday in my work.”

NY Early Childhood Data Dashboard



Published and Promoted

**Improving the Oral Health of Young Children in New York:
Recommendations from the NYS
Early Childhood Oral Health Summit**



- <https://scaany.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Recommendations-from-the-NYS-Early-Childhood-Oral-Health-Summit.pdf>

Conclusion

Despite the terrible human cost and the significant health costs associated with dental disease, oral health rarely garners the same attention as other health issues, particularly in young children. We are hopeful this Summit and these recommendations are the spark that prompt New York to begin to give young children's oral health the attention and resources it deserves.

The NYS Early Childhood Oral Health Summit November 14, 2022

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New York State Dental Foundation
New York State Department of Health
New York State Developmental Disabilities Council
New York State Office for New Americans
New York State Oral Health Coalition

Next PDGB5 Funding Opportunity

- There will not be a new competition this fall.
- There is an anticipated new three-year funding opportunity coming in Spring of 2024 that would be awarded by October 1, 2024 (getting this grant on the federal schedule).
- The NYSB5 grant activities will all conclude by December 30, 2023.
- A one year no-cost extension will be requested for the NYSB5 **Planning Grant** that would allow grant activities to be completed in 2024.

Symposium format

Day 1 (October 2 at 3pm EST)

Hour 1 Introduction

Welcome (5 min) **Tennessee**

ACF headliner (25 min) **How Advisory Councils across the country give meaningful input**

Breakout room to discuss topics directly related to ACF presentation (25 min)

- Questions to be developed to guide breakout room discussion based on ACF presentation.

Report out from breakout rooms (5 min)

Hour 2- Topic 1 Structure and collaboration

Presentation 1- **Council's structure (coordinating body, subcommittees, existing groups), and how it operates and relates to other councils across the state-** **New Mexico** (15 min)

Presentation 2- **Identifying opportunities for, and barriers to, collaboration and coordination-** **Illinois** (15 min)

Breakout room about topic (25 min)

Report out/ closing summary (5 min)

Day 2 (October 3 at 3pm EST)

Hour 1- Topic 2 Support of Councils

Presentation 3 **How is your Council supported? New Mexico** (15 min)

Presentation 4 **Lived Experience and Family Engagement- New York** (15 min)

Breakout room about topic (25 min)

Report out from breakout rooms (5 min)

Hour 2- Topic 3 Council Responsibilities

Presentation 5 **For those that are staffed, what key are the key job responsibilities to support and advance the work of the council? New Mexico** (15 min)

Presentation 6 **Developing recommendations on the development of a unified data collection systems for public early childhood and development programs and services- New York** (15 min)

Breakout room about topic (25 min)

Report out/ closing summary (5 min)

Day 3 (October 4 at 3pm EST)

Hour 1- Early Childhood Education

Presentation 7 **Developing recommendations on statewide professional development and career advancement plans for early childhood education- New York** (15 min)

Presentation 8 **Developing recommendations on increasing participation in childcare and early education programs, including outreach to underrepresented and special populations- South Carolina** (15 min)

Breakout room about topic (25 min)

Report out from breakout rooms (5 min)

Hour 2- Topic 5 Wrap up

State Agency Updates

NYS Education Department

NYS Office of Children and
Family Services

NYS Department of Health

Tuition Redesign Stakeholder Engagement

<https://www.nysed.gov/special-education/tuition-rate-reform>



Dedicated Listserv

<https://bit.ly/rate-reform>



Topical Surveys



**Initial Input Regional
Stakeholder Meetings**



**School Visits for
Staffing Reviews**





Update to the ECAC: NYSED Office of Early Learning

Erik Sweet, Executive
Director
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September 21, 2023

Update: ECAC September 2023



UPK monitoring and RFP Release



Literacy P-20 Plan and Briefs



Webinar Series 2023-24



P-3 Institute and Navigating PreK Day



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Links to recorded webcasts of the EICC meetings. The last one was September 14th, where they can get more detailed updates on early intervention and also hear from Commissioner McDonald. In addition is a link to the rest our meeting dates for 2023. Thank you.

<https://www.health.ny.gov/events/webcasts/archive/>

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**Office of Children
and Family Services**

Division of Child Care Services ECAC Meeting

September 21, 2023

Agenda

- Market Rate Survey
- Workforce Ad Campaign
- Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood Plus (MCCYN-Plus)

Market Rate Survey

Introduction to the Market Rate Survey

- Every few years, the Office of Children and Family Services conducts a survey of the price of child care across the state.
- The data is used to update the market-related payment rates for the NYS Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) for low-income families (commonly referred to as “the market rates”).
- Updating the CCAP market rates is important to ensure equal access to care for families in receipt of child care assistance.
- The market rates were last updated effective June 1, 2022.

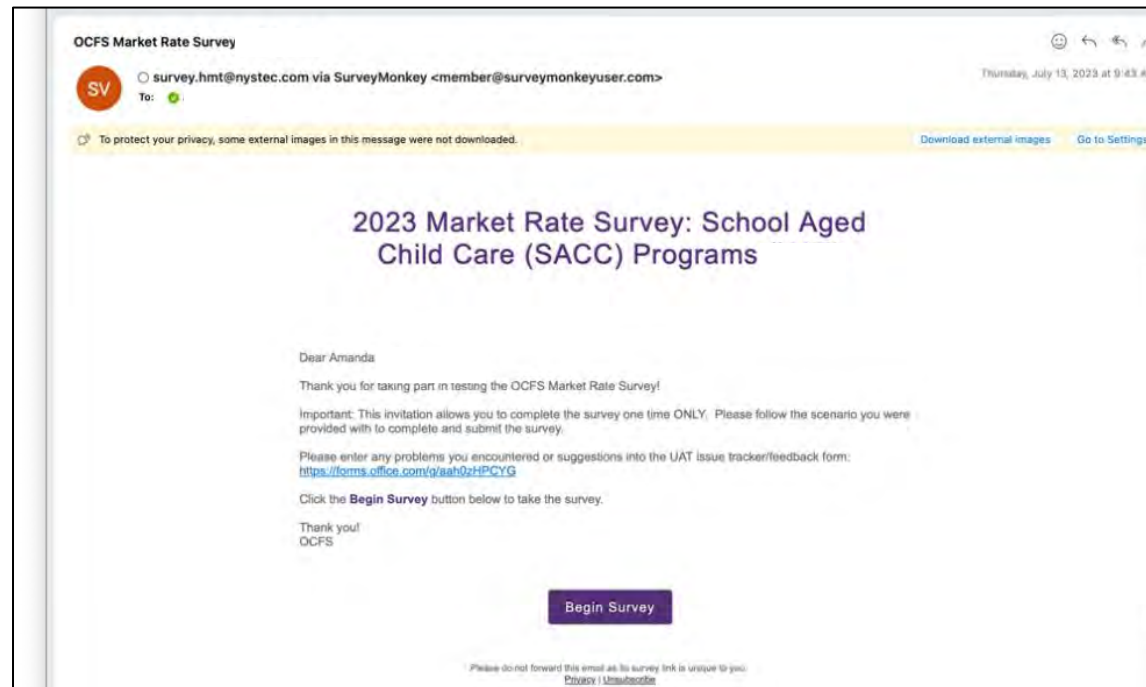
Market Rate Survey 2023

- The Market Rate Survey (MRS) includes:
 - licensed and registered child care providers across NYS, and
 - permitted group child care programs in NYC.
- The 2023 MRS includes questions about
 - Prices that providers charge parents for care,
 - Number of children enrolled,
 - Providers' experiences with CCAP, and
 - Costs for providers to operate their programs.



Online survey sent to all providers

- This September, the Market Rate Survey Team will be sending all providers an **electronic survey invitation by email** that contains a link to the *2023 Child Care Market Rate Survey*.



Survey Success Tips

- Providers should check their email account on file with OCFS and NYC DOHMH.
- The survey can be taken from any computer web browser or mobile device.
- The survey will take providers about 15 minutes to complete.
- Providers can step away from the survey and come back to it later, as long as it has not been submitted.
- Once the survey has been **submitted**, it is closed and no longer available.
- The survey should be completed within two weeks of receipt of the invitation.
- Reminder follow up emails will be sent out.



Easy to use survey navigation

Welcome and Thank You!

This survey includes questions about:

- Child **Enrollment** numbers
- The **Prices** you charge for care
- Your **Costs** for providing child care

0%

Next

Child Care Subsidy Participation

* 5. Of the children currently enrolled in your program, how is their care paid for?

15%

Back Next

Market Rate Survey Support Resources

- Questions can be sent to: ocfs.sm.marketratesurvey@ocfs.ny.gov
- The OCFS website will have updated information, frequently asked questions and a user guide for providers:
 - <https://ocfs.ny.gov/programs/childcare/info-for-providers.php>

Workforce Ad Campaign

Workforce Development Campaign

Ignite their potential



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Little humans, Big role.



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Workforce Development Campaign



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Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood (MCCYN- PLUS)



MCCYN-PLUS

- Part of a national program administered by Department of Defense www.militarychildcare.com
- The Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood, or MCCYN, program provides fee assistance to reduce the out-of-pocket expense of community child care for eligible military families when on-base options are unavailable.



MCCYN-PLUS

- **Not currently available to families and providers in NYS unless entered program through another means**
- **Programs approved for MCCYN-PLUS fee assistance benefit by expanding their child care businesses to a military family customer base and offer more available options for quality child care.**
- **National standards for provider inclusion require participation in state's QRIS**



MCCYN-PLUS

- NYS is working with DoD about expanding program requirements to allow OCFS licensed/registered programs to be eligible to participate, without regard to whether they participate in QRIS
- *NYS will be the first state in the nation that licensed/registered programs are allowed to participate on the basis of their compliance with licensing requirements*
- NYS is being recognized for its high health and safety standards, statewide monitoring and support, and investment in CC&R network also supporting providers
- **More information and announcement coming soon!**





NYS Department of Health

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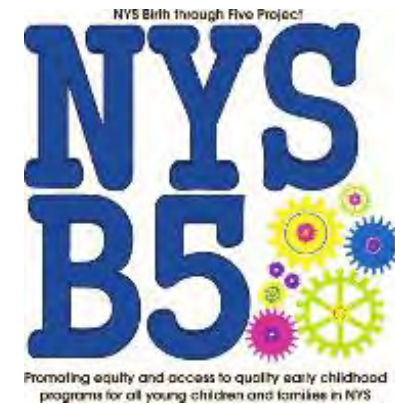
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Needs Assessment Updates and Identified Needs



Funded by PDGB5 project 90TP0016



Needs Assessments

2022: Home-based
providers/Parent
Survey

2023: Kindergarten
Transition

2023: Workforce
Development



Methodology

- Interviews
- Focus Groups
- Surveys
- Document Review/Environmental Scan



Results & Identified
Needs: Updated
Parent Survey

Top 5 Challenges in the ECCE system

- Cost of Care
- Number of programs/services in my area
- Length of waitlists
- Limited care at non-traditional hours
- Quality of care or services



Questions?

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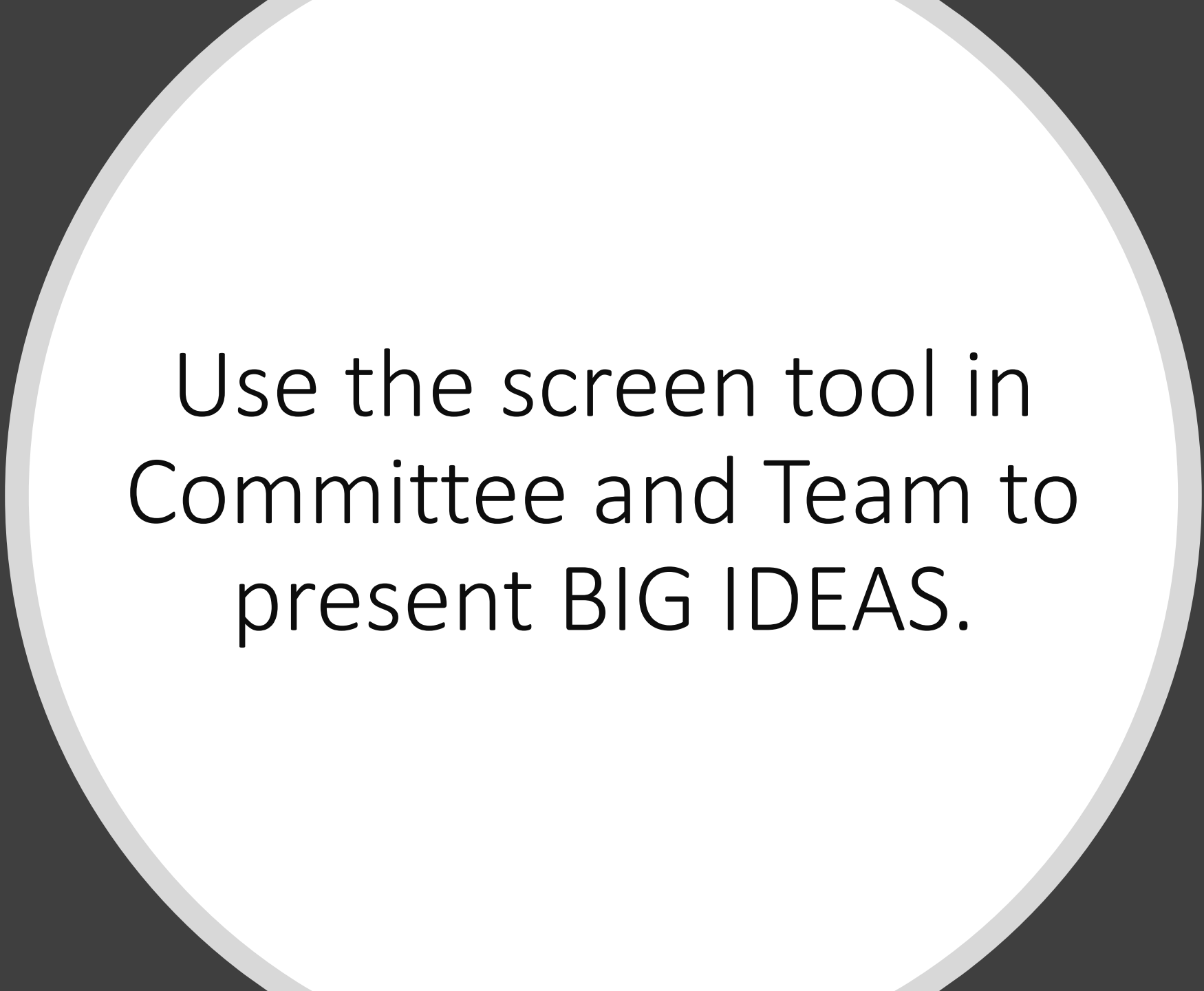
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Month	Meeting Time	Activity	Notes	Group Involved
June				
6/12/2023		Committee Meeting - Family and Community Resources		Committee 2
6/15/2023		June ECAC Meeting	Approve 2023 recommendations	Full ECAC membership
		Collect information about ECAC membership on other task forces		Co-Chairs of the ECAC
		Final review of recommendations/Prioritization of Recs to send to Gov's office		Full ECAC membership
		Idea development and prioritization using the action planning document		Committees
		Recommendations sent to Governor's office		Co-Chairs of the ECAC
July & August				
		Recommendations sent to Chamber		Co-Chairs of the ECAC
		Recommendations to be edited/adapted as needed with new information		
		Assess what other task forces are prioritizing and working on and share with the full ECAC		Committees
September				
9/7/2023		Steering Committee Meeting		Steering Committee
9/14/2023		Send ideas to full ECAC for Review	Ensure committee members have a week to review	Full ECAC membership
9/21/2023		September ECAC Meeting	Review committee "ideas". Use idea screen to create conversation and seek input	Full ECAC membership
		Idea review		ECAC full membership
		If there are concerns with the idea, it goes back to the committee to be refined		Committees
		If the full ECAC approves, the committee can begin to develop the idea into a recommendation		Committees
		Committees to connect with each other to support recommendation development		Committees
		Committees to request information from the Data and Finance Teams		Committees
November				
		Committees to seek input from other Committees		

December			
11/30/2023		Steering Committee Meeting	Co-leads share developing recs to Steering Committee
12/7/2023		December ECAC Meeting	Committees to present recommendations for feedback to the full ECAC
January 2024			
		State of the State	
March			
		Steering Committee Meeting	
		March ECAC Meeting	
		Committees present recommendations; seek input and answer questions	
April			
		State Budget Passes	
March - May			
		Recommendations refinement process	
		Seek parent input	
June 2024			
		Steering Committee Meeting	
		June ECAC Meeting	Review final recommendations for approval



Use the screen tool in
Committee and Team to
present BIG IDEAS.