



Early Childhood Advisory Council

New York State Early Childhood Advisory Council Quarterly Meeting

March 20, 2025, 10:30am-3:30pm

Location: The Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY, Meeting Rooms 2-3

Agenda Item	Topic	Presenters	Time
Welcome & Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductions • New appointed ECAC members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kelly Escobar, Robin Hood Foundation ○ Kelly Dodd, United Way NYS • Strong Starts Court Initiative/ ECAC Liaison- Kelly Dodd, United Way • NYAEYC Conference- April 2-4, 2025 • Legal Challenges to Federal Actions- Elana Marton, Council on Children and Families 	Dona Anderson & Patty Persell	10:30am- 10:45am
Governor’s Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Budget Update- Alyson Grant Tarek, Governor’s Office 	Alyson Grant Tarek	10:45am- 11:15am
State Agency Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NYS Education Department, Office of Early Learning • Office of Children and Family Services 	Erik Sweet Emily Meyer	11:15am- 11:45am
Advocacy Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Childhood Advocacy Updates 	Jenn O’Connor	11:45am- 12:00pm
Federal Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State perspectives on the potential impacts on early childhood policies and practice 	All	12:00pm- 12:30pm
Lunch 12:30pm- 1:30pm			
Quality Impact Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jessica Sullivan, US Policy Fellow, OCFS, Division of Childcare Services 	Jessica Sullivan	1:30pm- 2:00pm
Committee Work Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review recommendation cycle • Development of recommendations • Report outs 	ECAC Committees	2:00pm- 3:15pm
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Steps • Closing Remarks 	Dona Anderson & Patty Persell	3:15pm- 3:30pm

Next ECAC Member Meeting is June 12, 2025, 10:30am-3:30pm at the Empire State Plaza