Collaborative Innovation and Improvement Networks (CoIINs) are teams of federal, state and local leaders working together to address a common problem and achieve a common goal. Using the CoIIN approach ECCS teams around the nation in 12 states have joined together to discuss insights and progress and share resources.

The CoIIN approach integrates systems and sectors by ongoing and regularly scheduled CoIIN meetings at the state and local level, technical assistance webinars and coaching and action calls with federal, state and local leaders and utilization of a web-based, real-time learning collaborative called the “CoLab”. Action is required at all levels (children and families, communities, local, state and federal government) and across all sectors (early childhood, early care, education, healthcare, early intervention, housing, social services/child welfare, etc.).