NYSB5

The New York State Preschool Development Grant Birth Through Five

Kick-Off Meeting February 4, 2019

Assessing need, strengthening **partnerships**, **coordinating** services, expanding **parent choice** and increasing **quality** to ensure that all children in NYS receive **equitable** and comprehensive services to ensure lifelong success.

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Agenda

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4. Outcomes
5. Partner Collaboration
6. Timeline
7. Next Steps

Organizational Capacity

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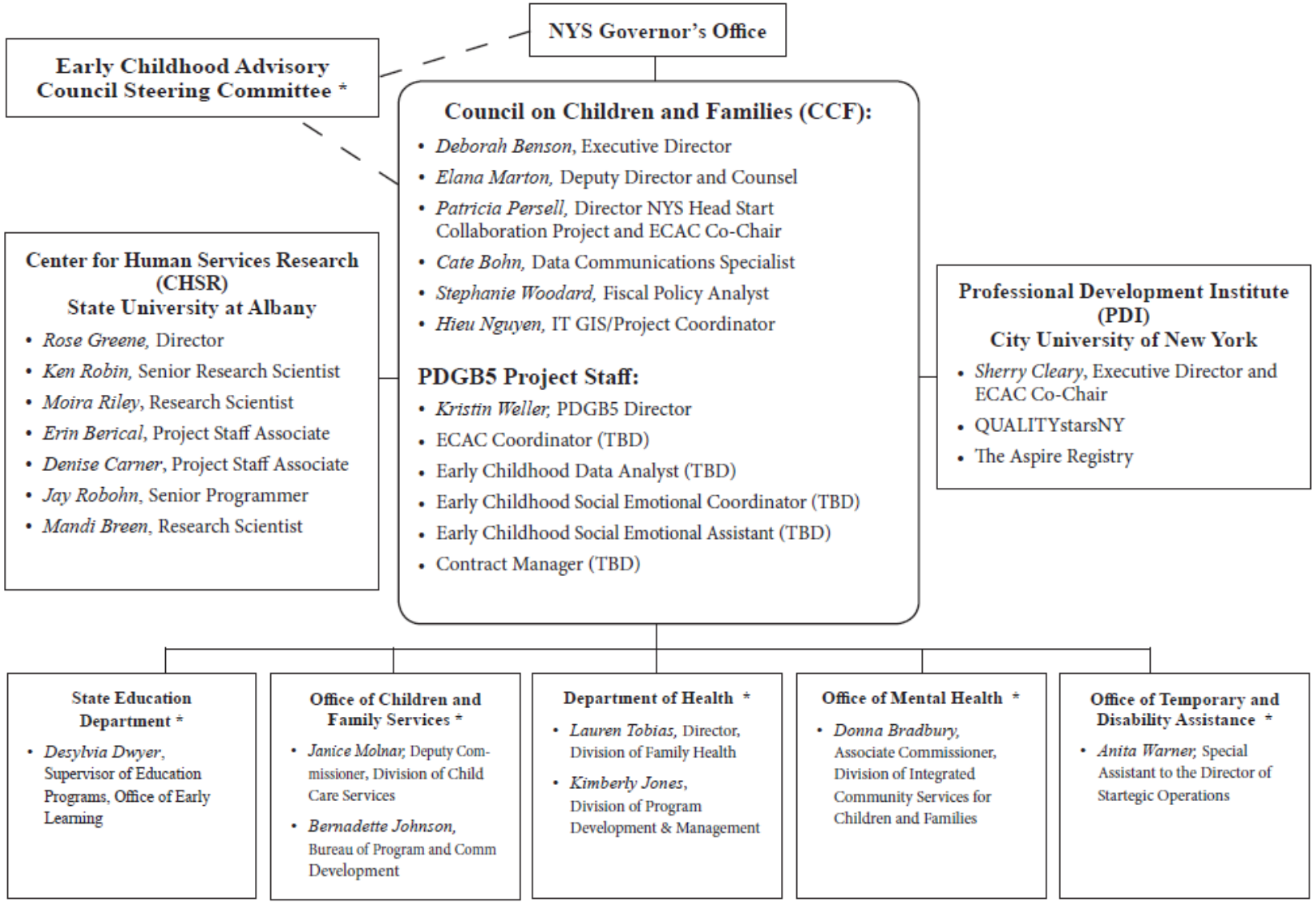


* Parent Representation

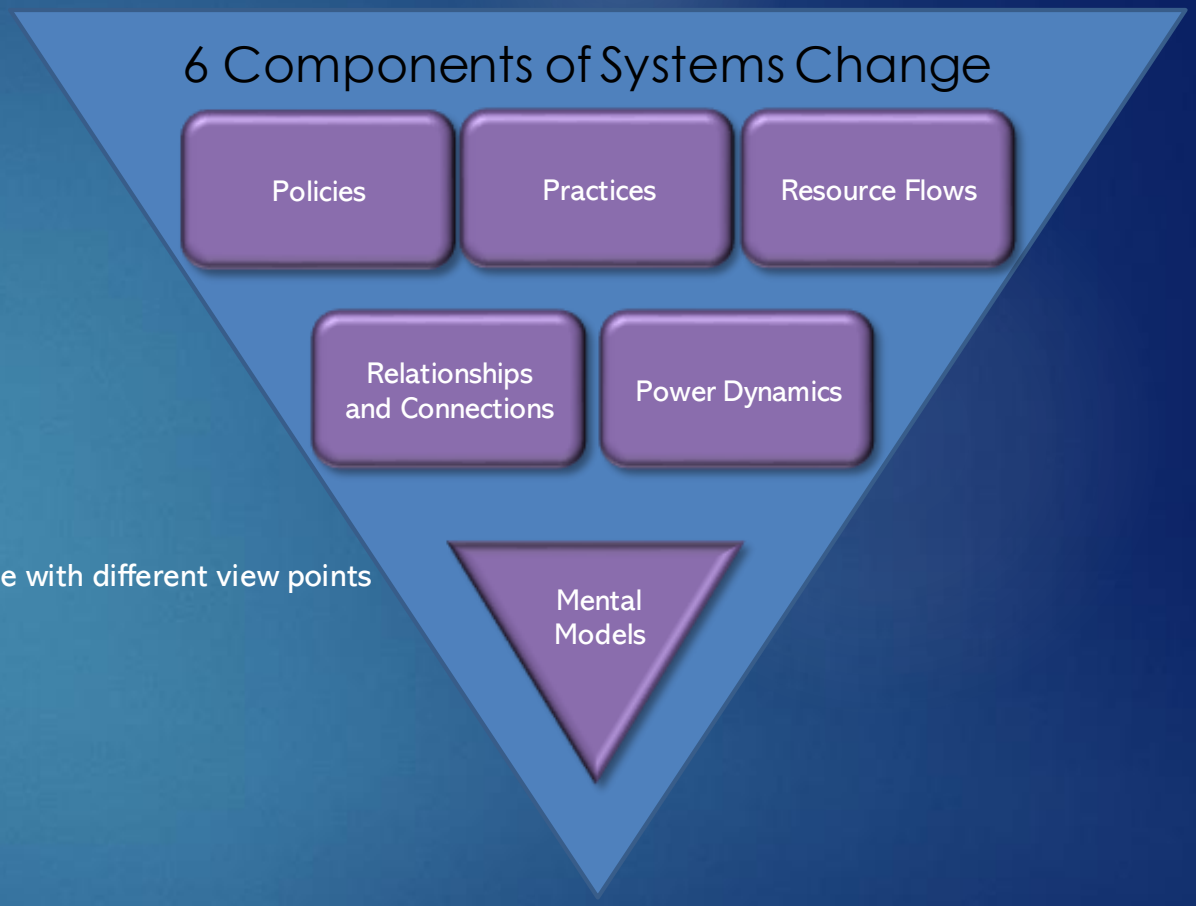
Our Vision

Every child in NY will be supported by a mixed-delivery system that is informed by parent voice and provides access to high quality, equitable and comprehensive early care and learning environments and services essential for healthy development and lifelong success.

Changing Our System

IN order to change our system – we want to "shift the conditions that are holding a problem in place"

Policies: Rules that guide us
Practices: Activities of an organization
Resource Flows: How money, people and information are distributed
Relationships: Communications between the people in the system – those with different view points
Power Dynamics - Decision making power and authority
Mental Models: Beliefs, assumptions, how we think



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5 Project Activities

Activity 1: Needs Assessment

Update or conduct a statewide birth through five needs assessment of the availability and quality of existing programs in NYS.

Activity 2: Strategic Plan

Update or develop a strategic plan that recommends collaboration, coordination and quality improvement activities among existing programs in the state and local educational agencies.

Activity 3: Parent Choice and Knowledge

Maximize parent choice and knowledge about the NYS delivery system of existing programs and providers ensuring parents are provided information about the variety of early childhood care and education programs for children 0-5, promote involvement by parents in the development of their children.

5 Project Activities (continued)

Activity 4: Sharing Best Practices

Share best practices among early childhood care and education program providers in the State to increase collaboration and efficiency.

Activity 5: Improving Quality

Improve the quality of early childhood care and education programs in the state.

NSYB5 Outcomes

1) A comprehensive analysis of access to early childhood programs that delivers a more nuanced understanding of parent need and a detailed assessment of the system's supply and demand;
2) A stronger early childhood care and education mixed delivery system that fully informs and engages families in their children's early care and education choices;
3) New financing strategies, including braided public and private funding and seamless coordination among early childhood programs to support New York's mixed delivery system;
4) Increased numbers of early childhood programs with active linkages to pediatricians, dentists, and early childhood mental health consultants;

NYSB5 Outcomes

5) A coordinated approach to sharing best practices and technical assistance;

6) Consistent use of standard agreements to support smooth transitions for children and families, from Early Intervention to Preschool Special Education programs, and from early care and education programs to elementary school;

7) Increased professional early childhood workforce development;

8) Integration of the state's early childhood data to enable better tracking of the early childhood system and of child outcomes; and

9) Expansion of QUALITYstarsNY, a five-star rating system, to ensure more children, especially those who are most vulnerable, have access to quality early childhood programs.

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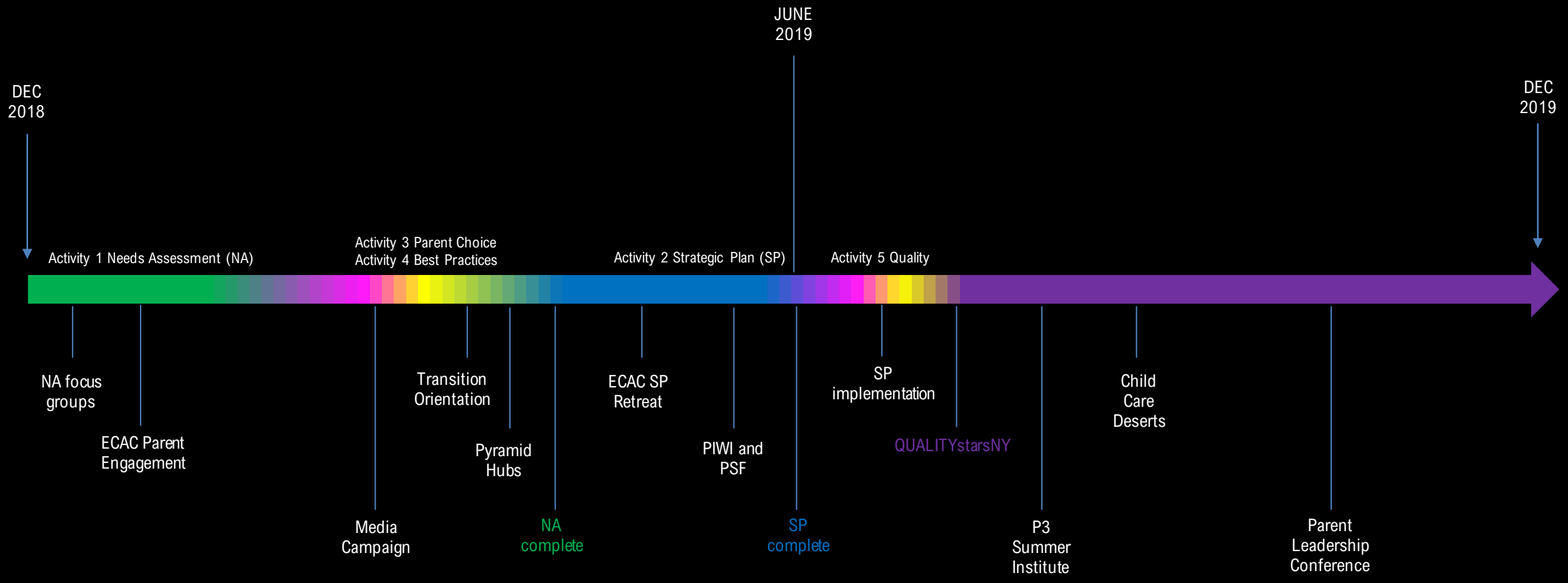
NYSB5 Timeline Dec 2018 - Dec 2019



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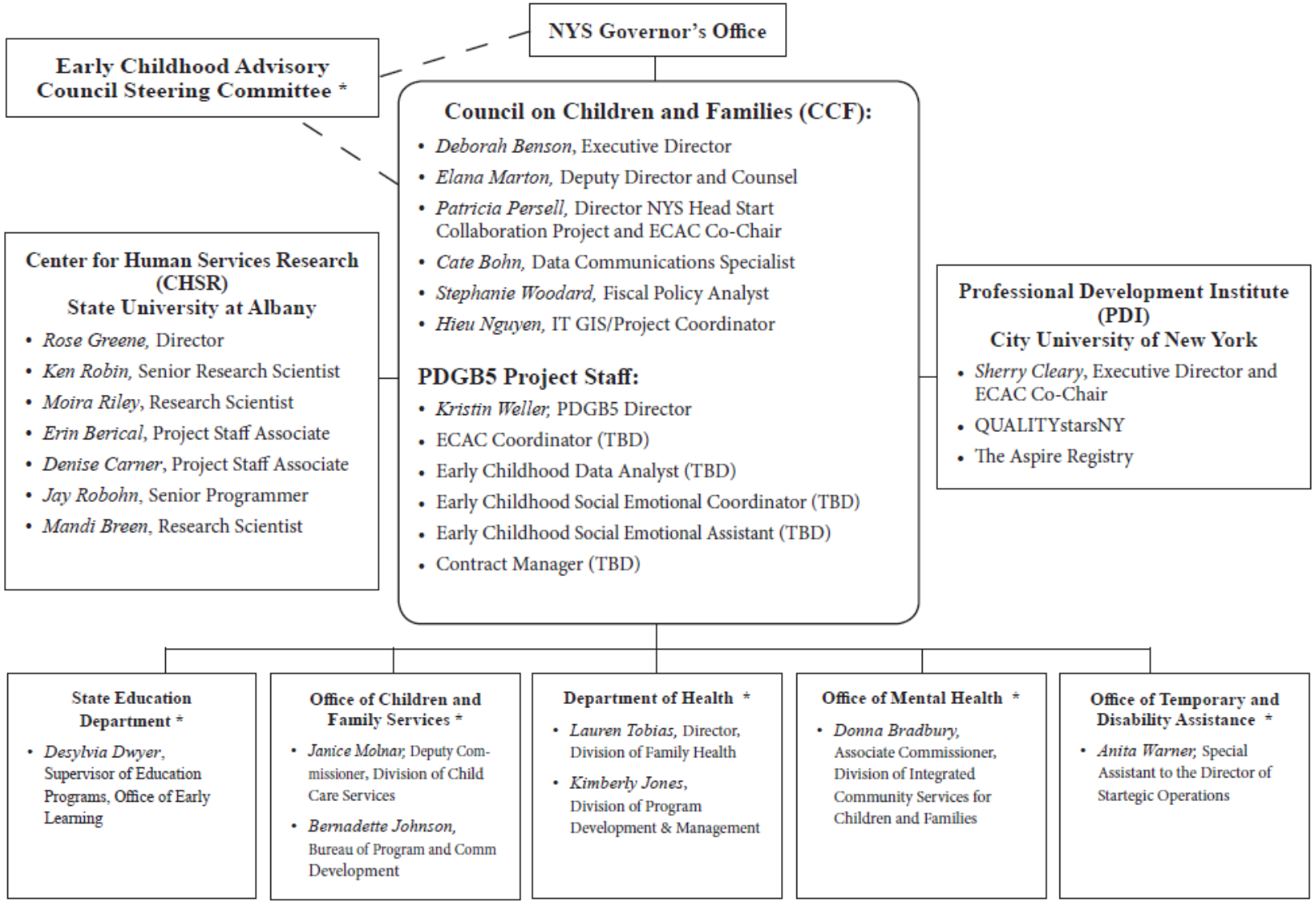

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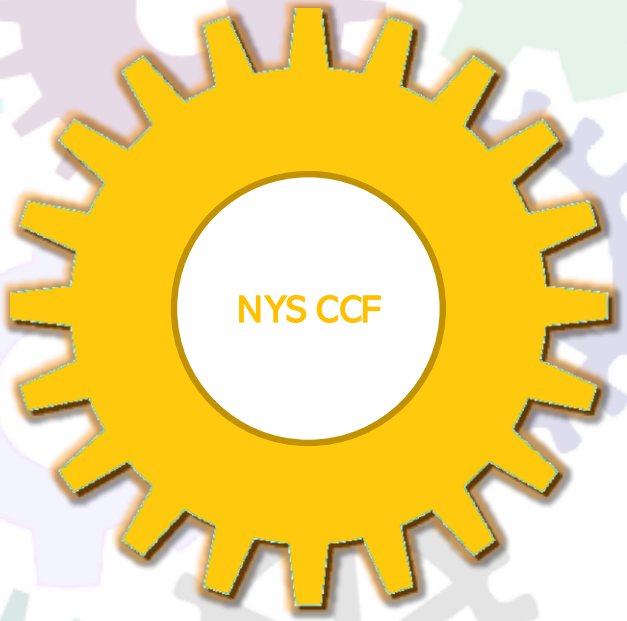

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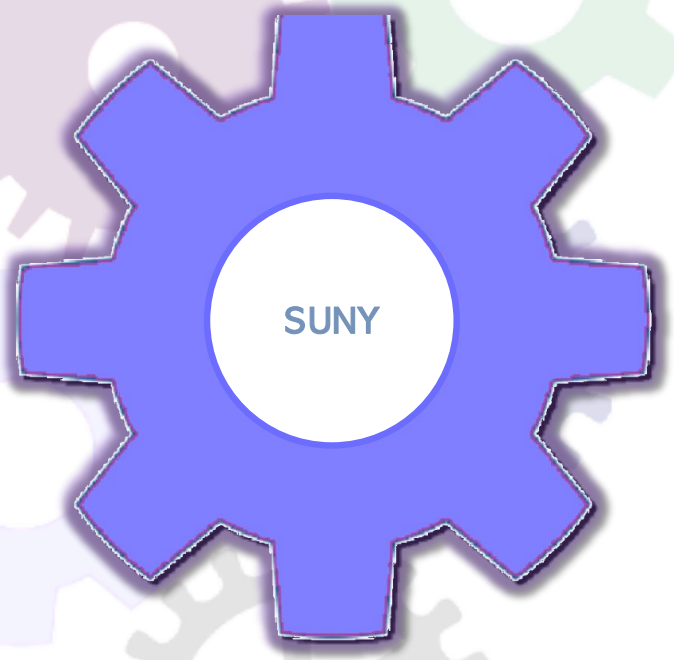

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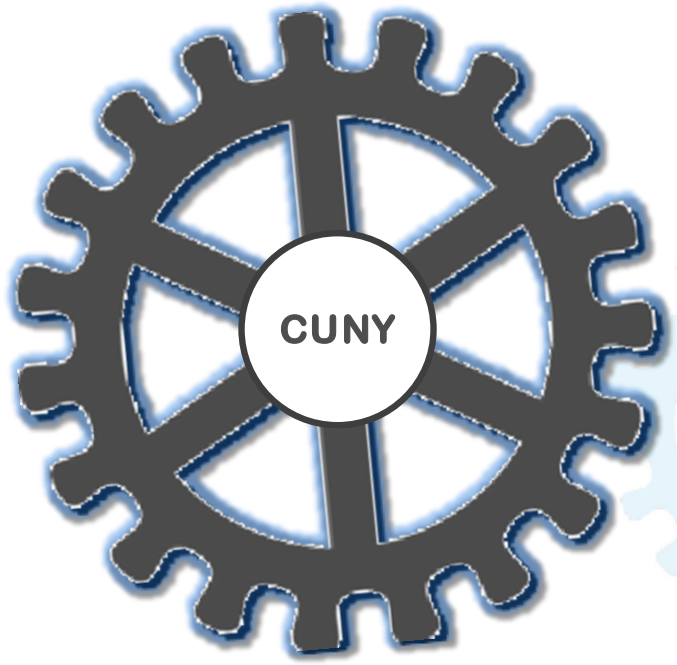

CUNY/PDI

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- Expand Aspire Registry.
- Develop career pathway centers at CCRRs.
- Provide early childhood leadership mentoring.
- Increase reach of QUALITYstarsNY.

New York Early Childhood Professional Development Institute

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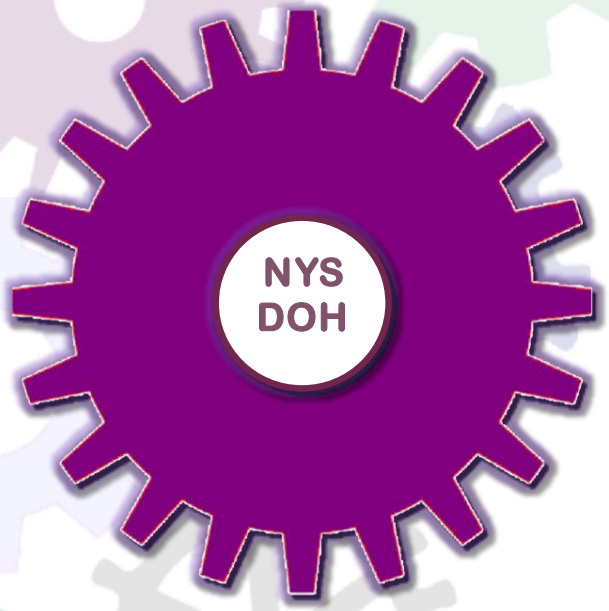

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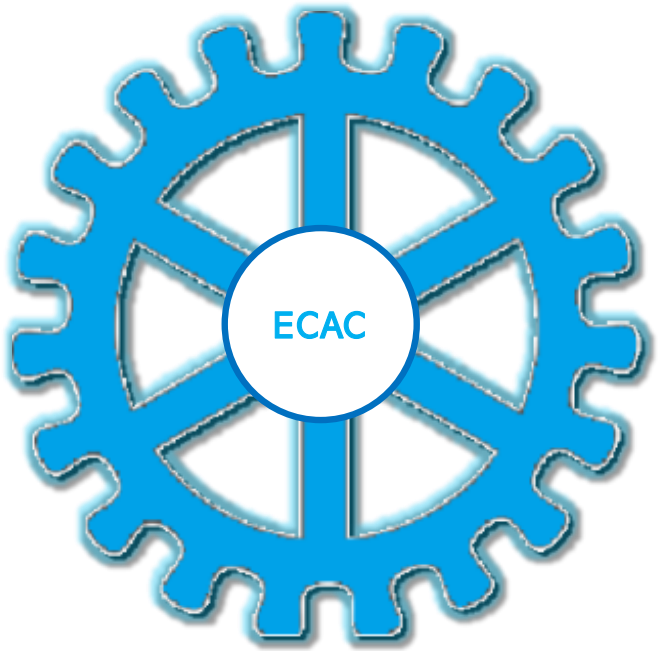

ECAC

- Invite parents to participate on the ECAC.
- Work with B5 staff to develop strategic plan and assign implementation responsibilities.
- Address how to improve transitions and integrate services.

NYS Early Childhood Advisory Council

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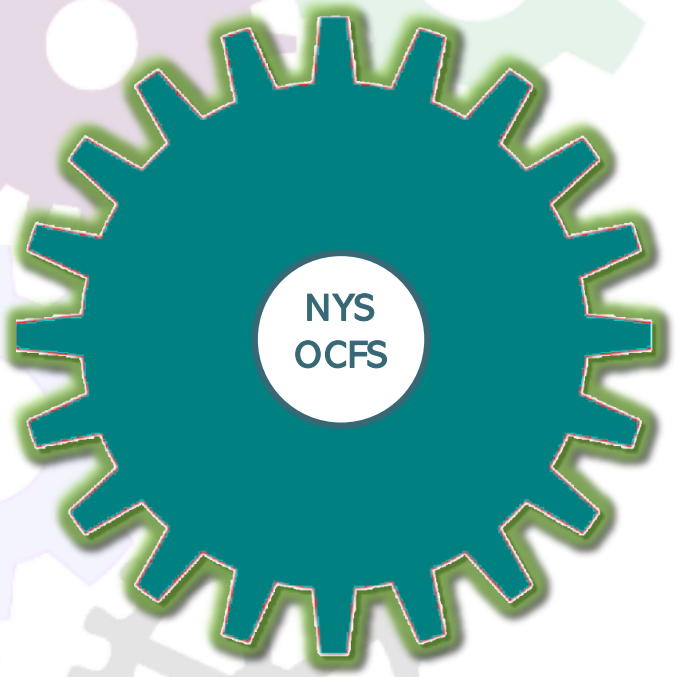

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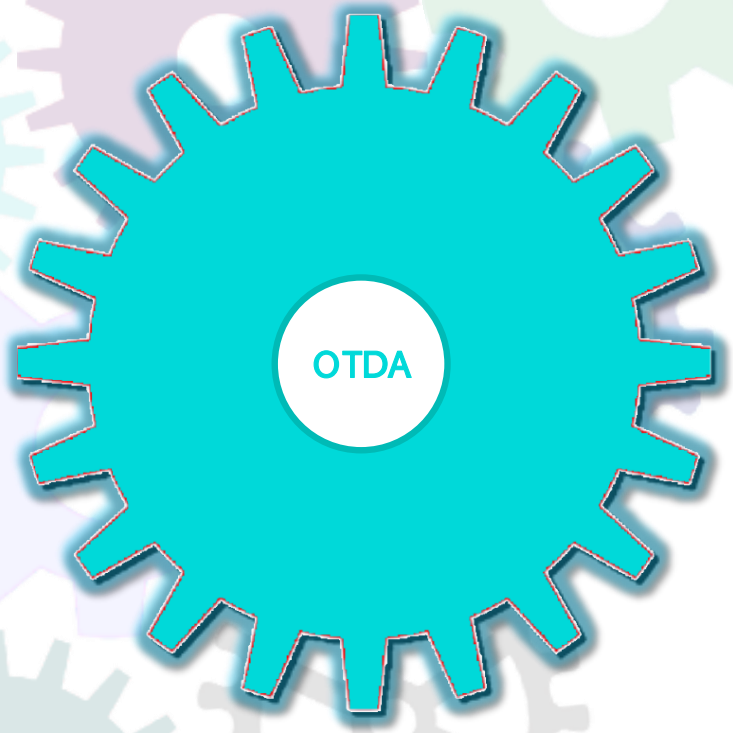

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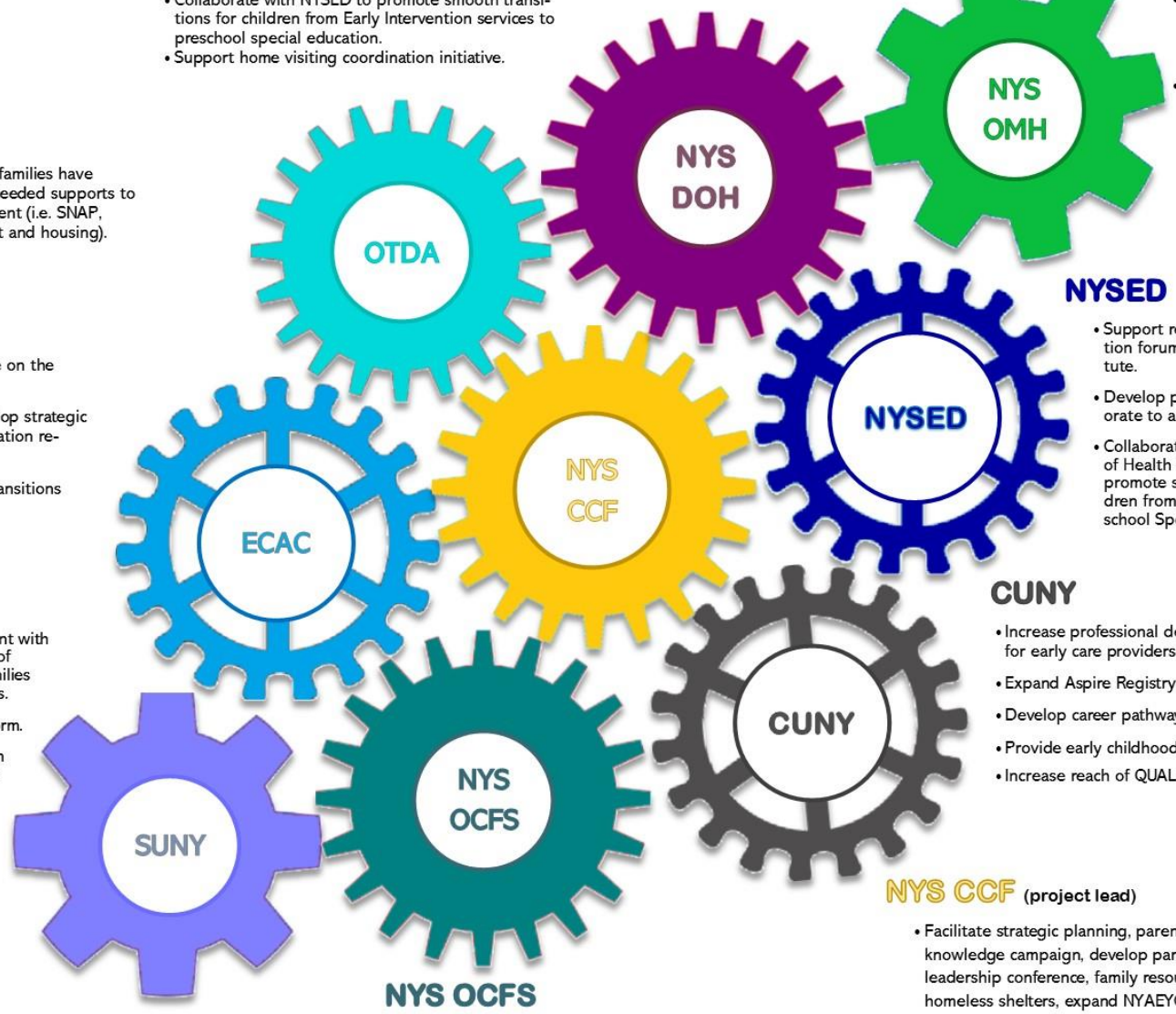

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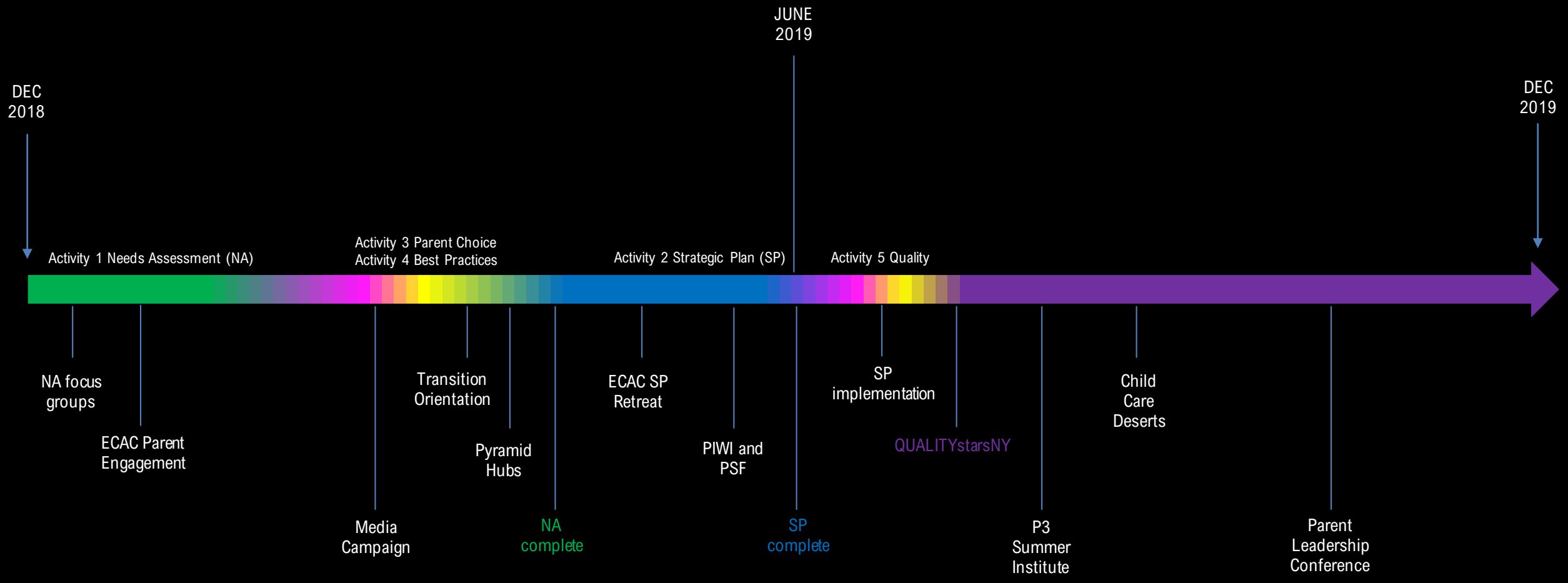

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Communication Plan

State Partners DOH, OCFS, OMH, OTDA, CUNY/PDI, SED, SUNY/CHSR	NYSB5 Director Kristin Weller	ECAC Co-chairs Patty Persell & Sherry Cleary	ECAC Steering Committee	ECAC Members	ECAC Work Teams
Attend regular NYSB5 webinar updates (bi-monthly)	Develop PDGB5 meeting agendas – invite state partners and ECAC Co-chairs	Relay NYSB5 information to ECAC Steering Committee	With the ECAC Co-chairs, relay information to ECAC work teams	Connect with ECAC focus group co-chairs with B5 questions	Assist with the development of recommendations for needs assessment and strategic plan
Lend expertise around statutory coordination and assist with the development of policy recommendations	Facilitate PDGB5 bi-monthly calls with state partners	Connect with B5 Director re: ECAC members, work teams or Steering Committee concerns	Meet quarterly with PDGB5 project director	Support activities related to strategic plan implementation and activities 3 through 5	Provide critical review and input to workgroup recommendations that support the strategic plan
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Dissemination of best practices	Support strategic plan development and operationalization			Dissemination of best practices	
				Invite parent participation	

NYSB5 Upcoming Dates and Activities

- **Pyramid Model Hub Orientation**
  - March 6 and 7 2019
- **Kindergarten Transition Orientation**
  - March 12
- **Pyramid Model Positive Solutions for Families Training**
  - 30 events scheduled
- **ECAC Call for Parent Participation**
  - March 2019
- **NYS ECAC Membership Meeting**
  - March 21, 2019
- **2019 NYAEYC Annual Conference**
  - April 4-6, 2019

- Begin Needs Assessment
- Identify Strategic Planning Facilitator
- Early Learning Document printing
- Homeless Shelter Liaison bid and selection process
- Media Campaign exploration
- Develop parent portal

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Link to application
https://www.ccf.ny.gov/files/9815/4775/1818/NYS_PDGB5_Application.pdf