

NYS Birth through Five Project



Promoting equity and access to quality early childhood programs for all young children and families in NYS

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**Council on Children
and Families**

NYSB5 Partner Meeting III

PARTNER MEETING III

JUNE 19, 2020

11AM – 12 NOON

KRISTIN WELLER, NYSB5 PROJECT MANAGER

Today's Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- NYSB5 and COVID-19
 - Response
 - Modifications
- NYSB5 Accomplishments
- Staying Connected





NYSB5 Renewal Grant

FEDERAL FUNDING AMOUNT:

\$13.4 million per year for 3 years

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care

2020-2022 = \$40.2 million

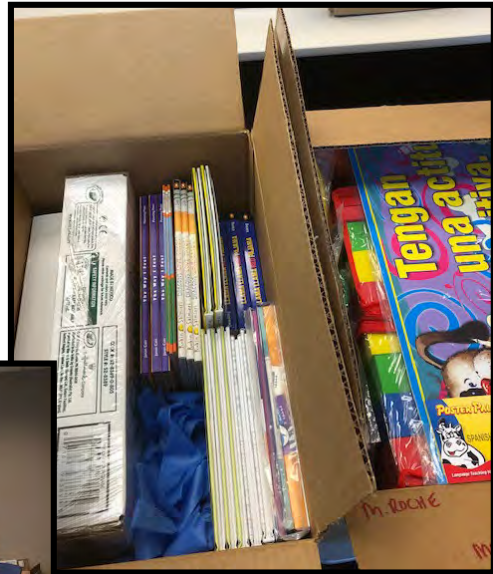
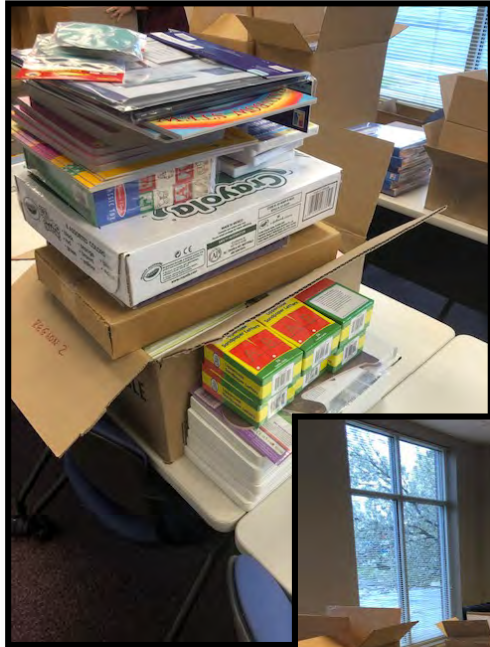
GOALS:

- Strengthening and building new partnerships
- Coordinating systems and improving transitions
 - Expanding parent choice and knowledge
- Promoting equity with a focus on vulnerable populations*

*Vulnerable Children: Children who are: (1) members of minority/ethnic groups; (2) living in low-income households; (3) homeless as defined by McKinney-Vento; (4) receiving EI or special education services under Part B or Part C of IDEA; (5) living in rural communities; (6) living in multi-language households and/or (7) immigrants or refugees.



NYSB5 Response to COVID-19



Working closely with OCFS
Division of Child Care and OCFS
Operations Division we shipped
books and early learning
resources to promote high
quality drop-In Child Care Sites
for essential workers and OCFS
Regional Offices

NYSB5 Response to COVID-19

Created a printable resource document to support families and children during COVID-19. The parenting resource and live links have been posted to the Parent Portal www.nysparenting.org.

The document can be accessed [here](#). It includes information on diaper banks, WIC, creating schedules, mental health support, books and articles and activities to do at home.

NYSB5 Modifications Due to COVID-19



- No Cost Extension until 12/30/20
- NYS Procurement Process
- Spending
- Modifying Timelines
- Modifying Activities

Support from HHS



Our federal partners from the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families Office of Child Care are responsive to state's needs. They provided opportunity to request an extension to the no cost extension for Initial year funds, held 2 conference calls to assess state's need and will be releasing guidance in the next few weeks.

Also released a *Dear Colleague Letter* to promote family strengthening and virtual primary prevention during COVID-19 and beyond. You can read the letter [here](#).



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NYSB5 Accomplishments (Initial Year)



Estado de Nueva York

PAUTAS PARA EL APRENDIZAJE TEMPRANO:

Recurso sobre el desarrollo infantil para educadores
de niños desde el nacimiento hasta los ocho años



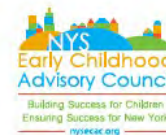
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children
building knowledge • building careers • building futures



New York State

EARLY LEARNING GUIDELINES:

A Child Development Resource for Educators
of Children Ages Birth Through Eight



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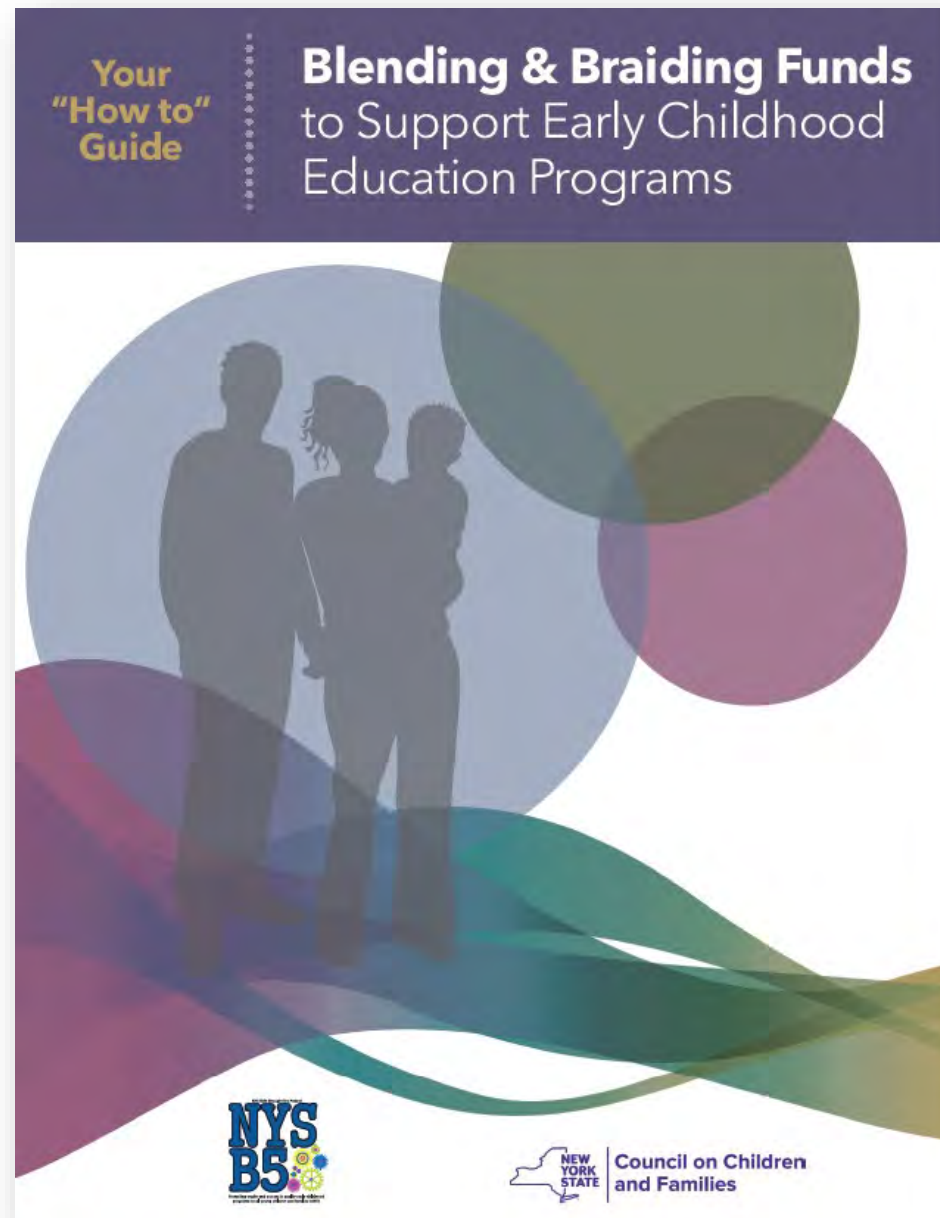
PLAY

Understanding the Value of Play from
Birth Through 3rd Grade:
Supporting a Strong Foundation for the New York State Learning Standards



Guidance from
New York State Head Start Collaboration Office
New York State Association for the Education
of Young Children
New York State Education Department





Core Body of Knowledge

New York State's Core Competencies for Early Childhood Educators







THE NEW YORK STATE PREKINDERGARTEN LEARNING STANDARDS:

A RESOURCE FOR SCHOOL SUCCESS

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT 2019



Family Guide to NYS Early Childhood Services - Prenatal through Age 5

A resource guide for families to connect and link children to early childhood services throughout New York State

Home Visiting (age prenatal – 5)

Home visitors offer support to pregnant women and families with children birth to age 5 to promote healthy child development. Home visiting is provided at no cost to your family. To find a home visiting program near you: www.health.ny.gov/ParentingSupport

Home Visiting Programs connect families to community resources:

- Medical, Dental & Mental Health Services
- Child Care and Head Start
- Early Intervention Services
- Food, Housing and Employment



Child Care (age 6 weeks – 5+)

NYS Office of Children and Family Services provides information on:

- finding care
- paying for care

The website includes helpful videos and handouts and local child care resource and referral agency contacts. www.ocfs.ny.gov

QUALITYstarsNY (QSNY)

QSNY is the NYS quality rating and improvement system to ensure that young children in early care programs have access to excellence and their families can trust the quality of the programs they choose. www.qualitystarsny.org/families

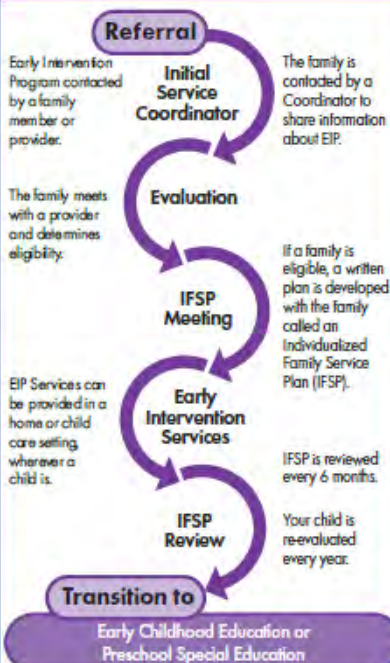
Steps for seeking child care

- 1 Start Early**
Finding the right child care for your family can take some time. It's good to look even when you're pregnant.
- 2 Call Your Local CCR&R**
Contact your local Child Care Resource and Referral Agency for information about programs in your area.
- 3 Visit and Ask Questions**
Visiting is the best way to decide the best fit for your child and family. Make a list of what is important to you.
- 4 Get Involved**
Involvement can help you build a trusted connection with your child's provider.



Early Intervention (age 0 – 3)

Every county has an Early Intervention Program (EIP) to support infants and toddlers ages birth to 3 years with disabilities or developmental delays. Services are provided at no cost to eligible families. Find your county provider at: www.health.ny.gov



Examples of Early Intervention Services include:

- Speech therapy
- Physical therapy
- Home visits
- Family counseling

Head Start (age 0 – 5)

Head Start/Early Head Start offer services and supports to help families reach their goals. Programs offer full-day, half-day and home visiting options at no cost to eligible families.

To find a program near you go to: eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov

Head Start Supports
Early Learning • Health • Family Well-Being



Preschool Special Education (age 3 – 5)

Preschool Special Education provides services to meet the needs of identified preschool students with disabilities. Services are provided through your local school district at no cost to your family.

www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed



Preschool Special Education includes:

- 1 IEP**
An Individualized Education Program (IEP) developed to meet your child's needs and goals.
- 2 Annual Review**
A meeting each year to review your child's progress and determine next year's goals.



State-Funded PreKindergarten (age 3 – 4)

Prekindergarten helps prepare children for school. Programs are offered through your local school district or community based organizations at no cost to your family. Check with your local district to see if a program is available in your community.

www.p12.nysed.gov/earlylearning

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Family

Paid Family Leave

NYS now offers job-protected, paid leave to bond with a new child, to care for a loved one with a serious health condition, or to help relieve family pressures when someone is called to active military service abroad. To find out more, call the Helpline at **1.844.337.6303** or www.ny.gov/PaidFamilyLeave

The New York State Enhanced Services to Refugee Program

Supports newly arrived refugee families in obtaining services like language training, health services and employment. www.otda.ny.gov/programs/bria/

Parent to Parent of NYS

Organization that empowers families who care for children with developmental disabilities. www.parenttoparentnys.org

Families Together of NYS

Organization that supports families and children with social, emotional and behavioral problems. www.ftnys.org

eFamilies

Organization that supports parents with children who receive Early Intervention services. www.efamilies.com

Prevent Child Abuse NY

Organization that offers parenting support and resources including a parent helpline. **1.800.CHILDREN** www.preventchildabuseny.org

Mental Health and Social Emotional Development

The New York State Office of Mental Health

Connects you to local resources and services for perinatal depression, child mental health and other social-emotional needs for your family. www.omh.ny.gov



Postpartum Resource Center of New York
Organization that ensures families receive the mental health support needed after giving birth. Call the Helpline at **1.855.631.0001** or www.postpartumny.org

Health and Safety

Growing Up Healthy Hotline

Provides information about health care, nutrition, and other family needs. Available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week in English, Spanish and other languages. All calls are confidential. **1.800.522.5006**

Medicaid + Child Health Plus

Your family may qualify for Medicaid or CHP if you meet certain financial requirements. Apply through the NY State of Health marketplace, or by calling the Medicaid Helpline at **1.800.541.2831** or CHP **1.800.698.4KIDS**

NY State of Health Marketplace

Online resource to help you shop, compare and enroll in a low-cost quality health insurance plan. www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov

Dental Services and Resources

Find resources for prenatal and childhood oral health. www.health.ny.gov/prevention/dental

Injury Prevention

SAFE KIDS NY is an organization dedicated to preventing injuries to children. For more information visit: safekidsnystate.org

Child Passenger Safety

Safety seat inspection stations www.safeny.ny.gov



Basic Needs (Food, clothing, shelter)

WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children)
WIC promotes and supports the good health of qualifying infants, children, and women who are pregnant, breastfeeding or postpartum. www.health.ny.gov/wic

SNAP

(Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)
NYS program that helps buy healthy food for you and your family when money is tight. www.ny.gov/services/apply.snap

HEAP (Home Energy Assistance Program)

NYS program that helps pay the cost of heating your home. www.otda.ny.gov/programs/heap

211nys

211 is an easy to remember number that helps connect NY families with basic needs and supports.

Regional Food Bank

The NYS Department of Health has a website to help you connect to your local food pantry. www.health.ny.gov/nutrition

Shelter Support

If you are currently homeless or at risk of homelessness, contact your local Department of Social Services. www.otda.ny.gov/programs/housing

**Eligibility and enrollment for SNAP, HEAP, Assistance Programs, Health Insurance and tax credit information can be found at mybenefits.ny.gov*



The NYS Parent Portal www.nysparenting.org

Connects parents to family friendly websites including:

- The NYS Parent Guide
- The NYS Child Care and After School Program Locator
- The Multiple Systems Navigator
- Every Student Present



Local Contacts

Child Care Resource & Referral Agency:

County Early Intervention:

Early Head Start / Head Start Coordinator:

Food Pantry:

Home Visiting Program:

School District:

WIC Center:

Pediatrician:

Sign up for Health Insurance:
www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov
1.800.541.2831

Poison Control:
1.800.222.1222

Crisis Text Line:
Text "Got5" to 741-741



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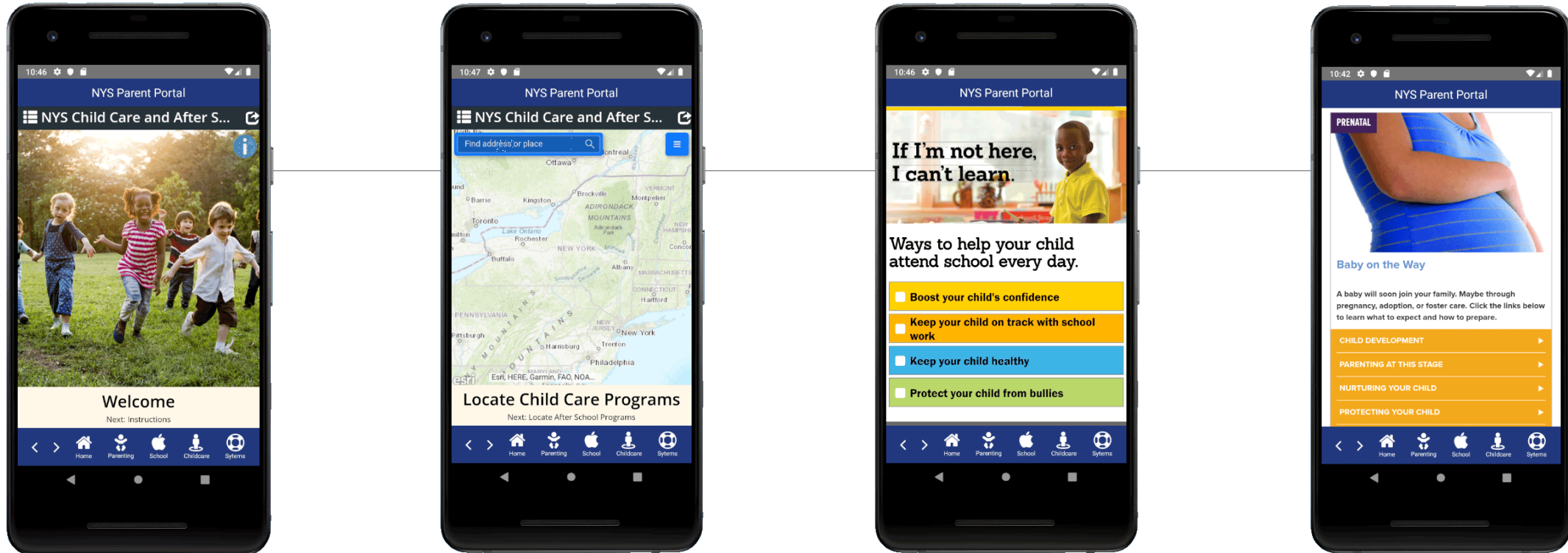
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Talking is Teaching Media Campaign



Download the NYSB5 funded Parent Portal app on your Android or IOS device today. Available for FREE in the Apple and Google Play stores now. Link available from the NYS Parent Portal:

www.nysparenting.org



Smart Phone App AVAILABLE on Google Play and App Store



NYS CHILD CARE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS LOCATOR

FIND CHILD CARE NEAR YOU

This website provides information on child care and after school programs in one easy-to-access location. View the last tab to learn more about child care and after school oversight agencies.

VISIT

CHILD CARE OPTIONS VIDEO



EVERY STUDENT PRESENT

WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILD ATTEND SCHOOL EVERY DAY

A public awareness campaign to help families, school leaders and communities understand the importance of consistent school attendance and the impact of absences on children's learning.

VISIT



MULTIPLE SYSTEMS NAVIGATOR

LEARN TO EASILY NAVIGATE MULTIPLE HUMAN SERVICE SYSTEMS

Access helpful health, education, human service and disability information on one user-friendly website. Built for youth, parents, family members and caregivers that rely on supports from multiple child and family serving systems.

VISIT



PARENT GUIDE

STARTING LIFE TOGETHER

This is your Guide, the story of the first five years of your parenting journey. Whether you are the mother or father (through birth, adoption, or foster care), a grandparent, partner, family friend, aunt or uncle with parenting responsibilities, what you say and do in your role as a parent matters.

VISIT

www.nysparenting.org

Quick Links to Parent Friendly Websites

Stay Tuned...



During the initial year we worked with Prevent Child Abuse NY who leads the **NYS Home Visiting Coordination Initiative**. They held 25 home visiting summits in every economic development region of the state between August 2019-October 2019. The summits were each facilitated by a local back bone organization and brought together home visiting programs including home visiting staff, administrators and parents in each of the surrounding counties. The report is currently in final review and we're excited to share this when completed.

In addition to the Home Visiting Coordination Initiative Report, Prevent Child Abuse worked with Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy who developed **Home Visiting Data Snapshots** for each of the counties in NYS. We'll be sure to post these as soon as they are completed!



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NYSB5 Accomplishments (Renewal Year)

NYSB5 Renewal Year Accomplishments

New Positions:

- NYSB5 Transition Coordinator, Nancy Hampton
- NYSB5 Parent Engagement Coordinator, Yvette James

NYSB5 Renewal Year Accomplishments

Procurements:

Several procurements are currently in process. We have been working with the OCFS Bureau of Contract Management to help process the many procurements connected to the B5 project.

Posted Funding Opportunities:

- Infant Mental Health Basics Courses
- Promoting 2-Generational Approaches to Supporting Maternal & Child Health
- Kindergarten Transition Summits
- Seed money to support innovative approaches to transitions

Reporting:

The NYSB5 Initial and NYSB5 Renewal quarterly progress reports have been submitted.

Staying Connected:

NYSB5 Newsletters were sent out in April and June

Activity One

Needs Assessment




NEW YORK STATE COUNCIL ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

NEW YORK STATE BIRTH THROUGH FIVE (NYSB5) PRESCHOOL DEVELOPMENT GRANT NEEDS ASSESSMENT REPORT

OCTOBER 1, 2019

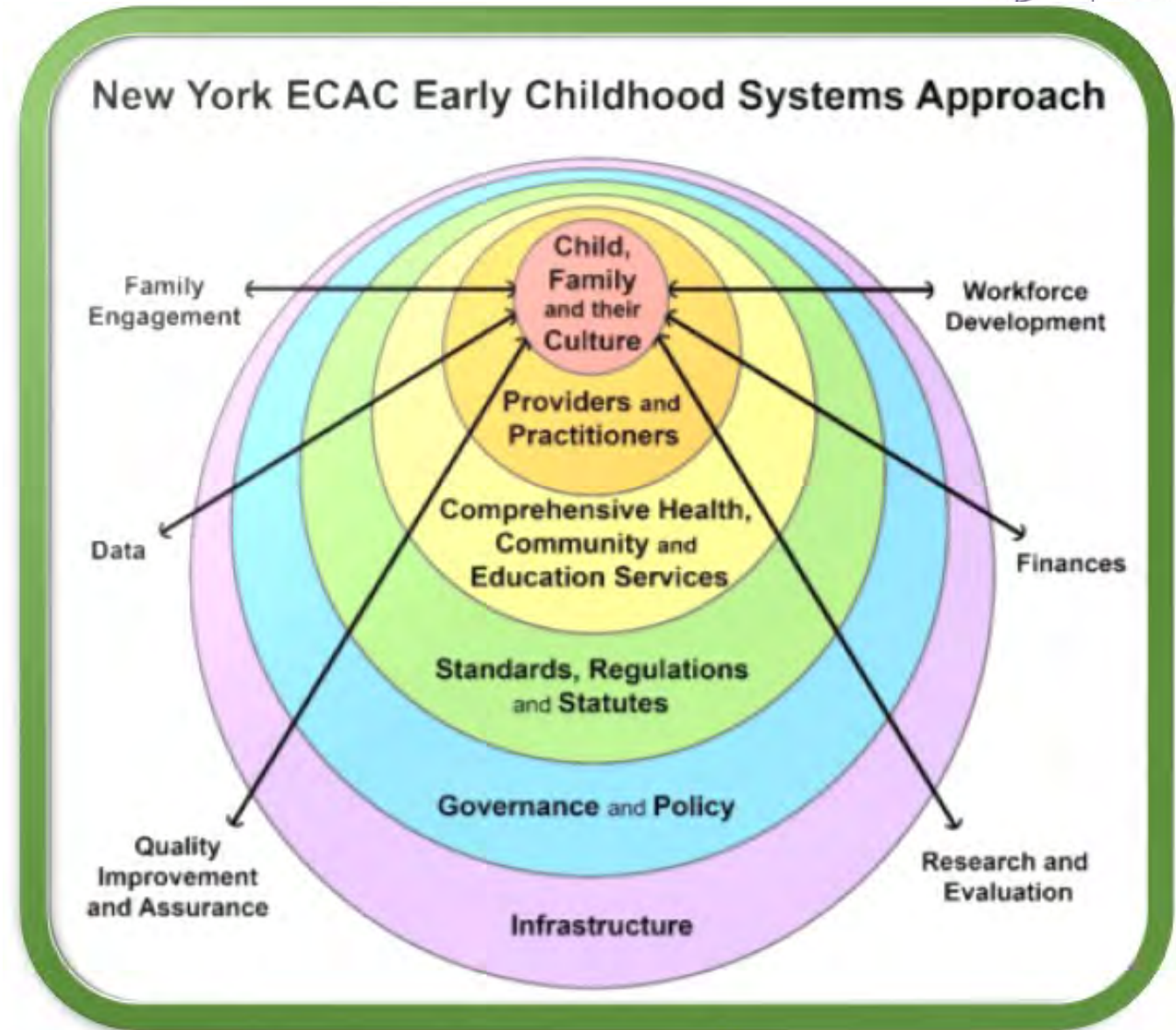
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Activity TWO

Strategic Plan



[http://www.nysecac.org/application/files/7615/8715/6568/ECAC Strategic Plan Final 2.20.2020](http://www.nysecac.org/application/files/7615/8715/6568/ECAC%20Strategic%20Plan%20Final%202.20.2020)

Activity TWO

Strategic Plan

GOAL 1

- The Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC) strengthens its structures and capacity to provide strategic direction and formal recommendations to the Governor, while communicating to and engaging with its stakeholders and other agencies and organizations to ensure that every young child thrives in early childhood, particularly the most vulnerable populations.

GOAL 2

- Family engagement and leadership are strengthened and inform the ECAC's early childhood system-building efforts.

GOAL 3

- All New York State ECCE programs and schools are prepared to provide young children and families with high quality settings and have supportive services and resources in place to improve quality.

GOAL 4

- All system building efforts are informed by a whole child perspective that includes mental health, oral health and physical health as integral for high-quality early care and education programs.

GOAL 5

- An increased number of successful partnerships will further develop the mixed-delivery system for high-quality early care and education programs.

Activity TWO

Strategic Plan

GOAL 6

- Comprehensive interdisciplinary strategies are in place to grow the workforce and to support children from birth through age five and their families.

GOAL 7

- The State's early childhood education workforce system, New York Works for Children, is fully implemented.

GOAL 8

- Actionable short- and long-term strategies are in place to fund essential elements for New York State's mixed-delivery system.

GOAL 9

- An early childhood integrated data system is created for tracking service delivery, outcomes and system improvements to drive accountability, policy development, funding and best practices across the state.

GOAL 10

- Research findings and evaluation results are used to recommend policy, statutory and regulatory changes, as well as structures and best practices to strengthen the NYS early childhood system.



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ACTIVITY Three

Parent Choice and Knowledge

- Online Parent Portal Mobile App Enhancement
- Talking is Teaching Campaign
- Promoting Tax Credits for Parents
- Welcome Baby Bundles*
- Parent Advisory Council*
- Parent Leadership Conference

*new activities



Highlights:

Parent Choice and Knowledge

1. Welcome Baby Bundles
2. Parent Advisory Council



ACTIVITY FOUR

Sharing Best Practices

Career Development Opportunities

- Zero to Three® DC: 0-5
- Infant Early Childhood Mental Health Basics
- Infant Mental Health Endorsement
- Reflective Practice for IECMH Specialists
- Strengthening Protective Factors
- ACES Training
- Equity and Inclusion Curriculum & Training
- Infant/Toddler CDA Credential
- Aspire Registry Expansion
- Leadership Mentoring
- Career Center Pathways
- Core Body of Knowledge
- Early Learning Guidelines
- NYSED P3 Summer Institute
- EIP Scholarships

Promoting Best Business Practices

- Blending and Braiding of Funds
- Infant Toddler Business Development
- REDCs and CCRR Partnerships
- Financing Strategy Consultant
- Shared Services Alliance

Coordinating Activities

- Pyramid Model Implementation
- Kindergarten Transition Summits
- Technical Assistance System Coordination
- Home Visiting Coordination Initiative

*new activities



Highlights:

Sharing Best Practices



Career Development Opportunities

1. Aspire Registry Expansion
2. Leadership Mentoring
3. Career Center Pathways
4. Core Body of Knowledge
5. Early Learning Guidelines
6. NYSED P3 Summer Institute

Coordinating Activities

1. March 3 - Technical Assistance Alignment Summit
2. March 5 - Kindergarten Transition Summits
3. Pyramid Model Implementation

Highlights:

Sharing Best Practices

BE sure to go to the Aspire
Registry to find NYS Pyramid
Model Training Opportunities!

<https://nyworksforchildren.org/aspire/go/default.aspx>



ACTIVITY FIVE

Expanding Quality



- QUALITYstarsNY Expansion
- Strong by Six*
- Healthy Steps Initiative*
- PreK Transportation Study*

*new activities

ACTIVITY SIX

Data and Performance Evaluation



- Program Performance Evaluation Plan



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Stay Connected...


- CCF will hold bi-monthly NYSB5-R meetings – we'll be sending invites and posting the dates on our website.
- CCF will disseminate, at least quarterly, email newsletters for information about funding opportunities, training registration and provide project updates (please share widely).

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Your Monthly News & Updates

1. NYSB5 Renewal and Funding Opportunities
2. COVID-19 Resources for Children and Families
3. Community Resources for New Parents: Brief Survey
4. 2020 Census

STAY HOME.
STOP THE SPREAD.
SAVE LIVES.

health.ny.gov/coronavirus

THANK YOU TO ESSENTIAL STAFF

As New York State continues to address the coronavirus outbreak and follow the Governor's directive of NY PAUSE, the NYS Council on Children and Families (CCF) would like to express its tremendous gratitude and deep appreciation to New York's essential workers - child care providers, health care professionals, food industry workers and so many more who are on the front lines helping keep New York healthy and safe.

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