

Iowa's Early Care, Health, and Education System



*Every child, beginning at birth, will
be healthy and successful.*

- DOM/
Community
Empowerment
- DPH
- DHR
- DHS
- DE
- DED

Empowerment
Technical
Assistance Team
(SET)

ECI
STAKEHOLDERS

State Agency
Liaison Group
(SALT)

- Governor's
Office
- DPH
- DHR
- DHS
- CHSC
- DE
- ISU Extension
- DOM/
Community
Empowerment

INFRASTRUCTURE GROUPS

Governance,
Planning,
Administration

Resources and
Funding

Results
Accountability

**PROGRAMMATIC
GROUPS**

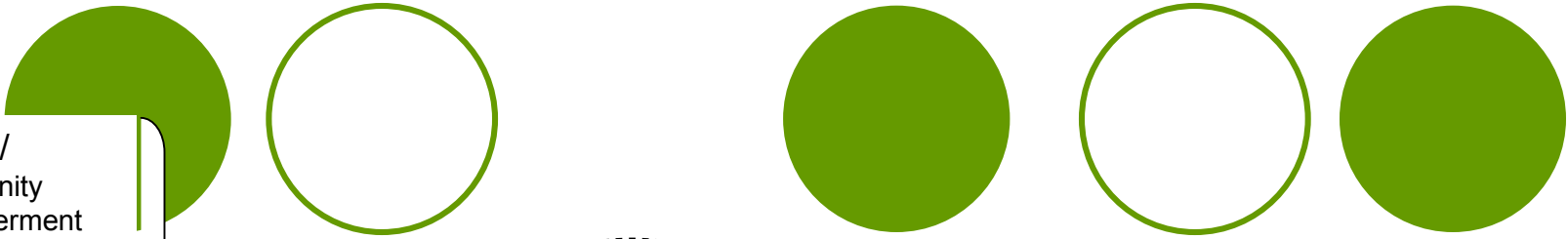
Quality Services
& Programs

Professional
Development

Public
Engagement

*Co-Chairs
Group*

————— Implies direct accountability and partnership relationship
 Implies advisory and information exchange



Early Childhood Iowa Stakeholders

- ***PURPOSE:***

Be a catalyst in the development of Iowa's comprehensive, integrated Early Care, Health, and Education System.

Component Workgroups

- **Program**

- Professional Development
- Public Engagement
- Quality Services and Programs

- **Infrastructure**

- Governance, Administration, and Planning
- Resources and Funding
- Results Accountability

Early Care, Health, and
Education Strategic Plan





Early Childhood Iowa Leadership Agenda



HEALTHY CHILDREN

- Increase access to and utilization of social, emotional and mental health services
- Increase access to and utilization of preventive health care services



CHILDREN READY TO SUCCEED IN SCHOOL

- Increase access to affordable quality early learning environments for all children
- Increase the capacity of schools to be ready to meet the educational needs of all children



SAFE AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES

- Increase the safety of young children and families in their communities
- Increase community investment in the early care, health and education system



SECURE AND NURTURING FAMILIES

- Increase positive relationships between child and parents
- Increase effective opportunities to learn about child development and parenting skills



SECURE AND NURTURING EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION ENVIRONMENTS

- Increase the number of quality early care and education environments for all children
- Increase parent and community demand for quality in early care and education environments

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Quality Services and Programs

Quality Services and Programs

Purpose:

- To expand early learning environments
- To create and maintain links with entities that support the development and improvement of services
- To incorporate evidence-based knowledge



QSP Membership

- AEA 13
- CCR&R
- Child Health Specialty Clinics
- Child & Family Policy Center
- Community Empowerment
- Department of Education
- Department of Human Services
- Department of Management – Office of Empowerment
- Department of Public Health
- Des Moines Public Schools
- Drake University Head Start
- Iowa Chapter of Academy of Pediatricians
- Iowa State University
- Iowa State University Extension
- Lutheran Services of Iowa
- MATURA Action Corporation
- Mid-Iowa Community Action
- Parents
- Prevent Child Abuse Iowa
- Office of Empowerment
- South Iowa Economic Development Agency
- Young Parents Network

Quality Services and Programs Component Group Products

- Family Support Leadership Group
- Definition of Family Support and Parent Education
- Definition of Evidence-based
- Definition of Promising Practices
- Family Support Issue Briefs
- Evidence-based Assessment Tool
- Evidence-based Workbook
- School Readiness Document



Future Products and Initiatives

- Continuation of Family Support Leadership Group
- Family Support Supervisor Issue Brief
- Family Support Supervisor Curricula
- Continuation of technical assistance for local programs on evidence-based practice

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