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LaWanda Wesley, LPC Coordinator
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Dear Ms. Wesley:

The California Department of Education (CDE) has recently initiated an evaluation of Local Planning Councils (LPCs) and recipients of Assembly Bill (AB) 212 funding. The goal of this evaluation is to determine the value and effectiveness of LPCs in coordinating and implementing early childcare education (ECE) initiatives at the local level. This evaluation is being conducted by Dr. Tina Christie, Ph.D., from the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA), and will take place over the next year. All counties will be required to participate in data collection efforts to better understand how LPCs differ across the state.

In addition, your county, Alameda County General Services Agency, has been randomly sampled to participate in one component of the evaluation taking a more focused, in-depth look at the work you engage in with your community and AB 212 participants. The CDE is requesting your participation in this evaluation to allow for a more comprehensive assessment of how your work is conducted on a day-to-day basis. Your LPC Coordinator will be asked to provide documentation regarding your practices and to engage in telephone interviews with UCLA during this evaluation process.

As a randomly sampled county, we are requesting the following information from the last two years (2014 and 2015) be provided to the UCLA research team **no later than October 31, 2016.**

- LPC meeting minutes
- LPC meeting agendas
- Childcare Needs Assessments reports
- Other reports (e.g. funding disbursement)
- Strategic plans
- AB 212 Participant contact information – 1) names, 2) e-mail addresses, 3) phone numbers

All documentation may be scanned and e-mailed to Adrienne Dellinger at adellinger@ucla.edu or physically mailed to:

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We are very excited to engage in this work with you, and look forward to learning more about all that you do for your local communities. If you have additional questions about the evaluation, please contact Linda Parfitt, Child Development Consultant, at lparfitt@cde.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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