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**Alameda County Child Care Planning Council
Early Care and Education Committee Agenda
4c's of Alameda County
22351 City Center Dr. Suite 100 Hayward, CA 94541**

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Minutes

Committee Mission and Purpose: To improve the quality of early care and education of children, birth to school age, by considering issues and making recommendations on programs impacting children in early education; and to ensure that the Council is aware and involved in promoting best practice in all ECE programs

Attendees - Rene, Darlene Johnston, Mirella Almaraz, Mitchell Ha, Julie Nicholson, Jean Monroe, Christie Verarde Monique Villagrand, Tanya Smith, Linda Bringman, Kavita Malik, Zina Rosen-Simon

Welcome and Introductions – Mitchell Ha and Mirella Almaraz welcomed participants.

**ECE Committee Task Force Updates
Presentation on Inclusion Task Force and QRIS Diversity Task Force - Julie Nicholson and Jean Monroe**

Members from the QRIS Diversity Task Force - and the Planning Council Inclusion Task Force) have formed the Quality and Diversity Workgroup. The aim of the workgroup is to make issues of diversity more visible in discussions of assessment and quality. The workgroup's end goal is to produce a document that will incorporate all the knowledge on diversity currently available locally, statewide, and nationally, to be used countywide in alignment with the existing Quality Statement.

The Workgroup is looking for input from ECE Committee members (as well as the broader community) to inform their work. Their first meeting is scheduled for December 16th, 3:00pm at the old First 5 office. Agenda will be sent out to ECE committee members prior to the meeting.

Quality Statement Task Force

Developing Teacher Workshop Series is continuing to be presented at BANANAs, 4Cs, Child Care Links.

QRIS update - Tanya Smith

The QRIS new round of 40 sites will be selected for next year. There were 94 calls expressing interest, from the calls, 79 applications were sent out (some were to larger organizations that might apply for multiple sites). The breakdown of the applications packets sent is as follows: 36 in South County, 31 in North County, 12 in East County. Applications are due 11/22/13. Sites will be notified by January 31, 2014 if they were accepted. Orientations and assessment prep will start in early March 2014, and will be held at each of the R&Rs. Work on portfolios and assessments will be completed in March and April 2014. The goal is to have assessment for 25 sites completed by May 2014. Coaching will start July 2014.

Changes from last year include the collection of documents for the portfolios being completed on-site. Also, a photo guide of who is involved (QRIS staff, coaches, assessors, etc.) will be available to sites.

Next Alameda County QRIS meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2013.

Training for QRIS participants on best health and safety practices scheduled for December 7, 2013 at Child Care Links.

Announcements:

December 11, 2013 - PGA (Professional Growth Advisor) training on the CA permits at Chabot College, 6:30-8:30 pm. The training will be provided in English this semester (and offered in Spanish training next semester).

April 12, 2014 - Conference at Chabot College. Breaking Down Barriers: Supporting Children and Families at Risk. Currently looking for presenters.

ECE Committee meeting dates

February 27, 2014, 1-3pm

April 24, 2014, 1-3pm

ECE Committee meets quarterly: August, November, February, and April
1:00 -3:00 4Cs

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