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# ECLC Program Quality & Alignment Subcommittee-Preschool Development Grant Meeting

Friday, June 14, 2019 - 9:00-11:00 am
Webinar Only
Please register for ECLC Program Quality and
Alignment Subcommittee on June 14, 2019 9:00 AM
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# Welcome and Review of Minutes



# Introductions & Approve Meeting Minutes from May 10,2019

 Please type your name and organization you are representing into the chat box for introductions.

 Please submit any concerns with the minutes by end of meeting. If there are no concerns we will consider the minutes approved.



# Scope of Activities **Lindsey Dorneman**



# COLORADO SHINES BRIGHTER

PRESCHOOL DEVELOPMENT GRANT BIRTH THROUGH FIVE

Ensuring all Colorado children are ready for school when entering kindergarten.



## Goals

- 1. Colorado families have access to quality formal early childhood care and education settings of their choosing which best meet the need of their child and family, especially those who are vulnerable and infants and toddlers.
- Informal early childhood care and education environments (parental, friend, family, and neighbor care) are enhanced to enrich and support children's physical, social, emotional, and cognitive development.
- 3. Colorado's B-5 early childhood state system is coordinated and aligned to enhance the resources available to families and to improve the quality of relationships among families, caregivers, and children.







# Timeline

# January

Revise Budget

# April

Hire Staff, Select Vendors

# July

Stakeholder Outreach

#### October

Submit Renewal Application; Report Initial Assessment Findings; PQA Summits

## January

Disseminate Strategic Plan; Launch Activity 5; Launch Years 2-4 Activities

## February

Launch Contract Processes

## May

Launch Activities 1-4

# August

Begin Renewal Application

#### November

Refine Strategic Plan, Evaluation Plan, and Needs Assessment Report

### February

Conclude Year 1
Activities

#### March

Post RFPs, Recruit

#### June

Stakeholder Outreach

### September

Synthesize Data, Recommendations

#### December

Submit Strategic Plan, Needs Assessment & Evaluation Plan; Notice of Award for Years 2-4





# Deliverables – Needs Assessment

 The rationale for the strategic plan, identifying areas in the state that need to be strengthened in order to maximize the availability of high-quality early childhood care and education options for low-income and disadvantaged families.

#### Key Topics

- Early Care and Learning Needs For Families
- Other Service Needs for Families
- Services for Child Care Providers
  - Business resources
  - Early childhood learning and development resources



# Deliverables – Strategic Plan

 Facilitates collaboration and coordination among existing ECCE programs in a mixed delivery system across the state, designed to prepare low-income and disadvantaged children to enter kindergarten, and to improve transitions from such system into the local educational agency or elementary school that enrolls such children.



# Deliverables – Evaluation Plan

 Develop a plan to conduct the proposed process, cost, and outcome evaluations, and implement a data collection system that will allow the collection, housing, and use of data on the populations served, the implementation of services, the cost of providing services, and coordination across service partners.



# Proposed Scope – Populations

- Families
  - Rural/Urban
  - Cultural/Linguistic Diversity
  - Socio-Economic Status
  - Infants
  - Toddlers
  - Homelessness
  - Children with Special Needs
  - Children/Families affected by trauma
  - Teen Parents
  - Tribal
  - Migrant
  - Immigrant
  - Refugee
  - Working Families
  - Foster Children/Child Welfare
  - Military Families

- Providers
  - Child Care
    - Formal (Licensed)
    - Informal (License-Exempt)
  - Other Service Providers





# Proposed Scope – Programs

- Services in the ECCE System (federally defined)
  - Child Care
  - Head Start/Early Head Start
  - Colorado Preschool Program
  - Colorado Child Care Assistance Program
  - Colorado Shines ORIS
  - Local Education Associations
  - Local Subsidy Programs
  - Early Intervention (IDEA Part C)
  - Preschool Special Education (IDEA Part B)
  - Colorado Community Response
  - SafeCare Colorado
  - Promoting Safe and Stable Families
  - Early Childhood Mental Health
  - HIPPY
  - Parents as Teachers
  - Growing Readers Together
  - Nurse Family Partnership (MIECHV)
  - Family Support Services

- Related Programs and Services
  - Workforce
  - Services related to ECCE (as they relate to ECCE)
    - Medicaid
    - Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
    - Title V Maternal and Child Health Programs
    - Healthy Start
    - Child Adult and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
    - The Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)
    - Infrastructure components that support these programs and services





### **Our Partners**

- Statewide Birth to Five Needs Assessment Colorado Health Institute
- Statewide Birth to Five Strategic Plan Child Trends in partnership with Marzano Research and Early Milestones Colorado
- Analytics and Evaluation Plan The Butler Institute for Families at the University of Denver



### Join us!

- ColoradoOfficeOfEarlyChildhood.force.com/oec/pdgb-5
  - Project updates
  - Meetings
  - Webinar recordings
  - Newsletter sign-up form
- PQA Activities
  - Share meetings of parents, caregivers and other service providers
  - Respond to surveys
- Questions? Feedback?
  - CDHS\_PDG@state.co.us









# Colorado Shines Brighter

The Needs Assessment Approach



Director



**ECLC Program Quality & Alignment Subcommittee** 

June 14, 2019

Needs Assessment Question	Topics for Data Collection
1. What do we have?	Descriptive administrative data including counts of children, families, providers, facilities, staff, family support, dollars, and time associated with services.
2. What is enough?	The natural demand for early childhood services based on what families want, the conditions of facilities, the needs of working families, and what they would choose in the absence of barriers.
3. Where is there NOT enough?	Geocoded services tied to locations and geographic areas where services are provided and population data tied to geographic areas. Identify inequities related to rural and urban areas.
4. Who is NOT getting enough?	Demographics of clients coded to services and qualitative differences in service provision (e.g., home vs. center-based care) coded to services. Identify inequities in service access and provision.
5. Why is there NOT enough?	Investigation into the following as potential drivers of gaps: Market conditions; business practices; challenges experienced by providers; parental choice; affordability and cost; availability of funding; coordination of available services; system silos / insufficient alignment; regulatory barriers and any other potential factors that contribute to a gap between what we have and having enough for all children and families where it is needed.



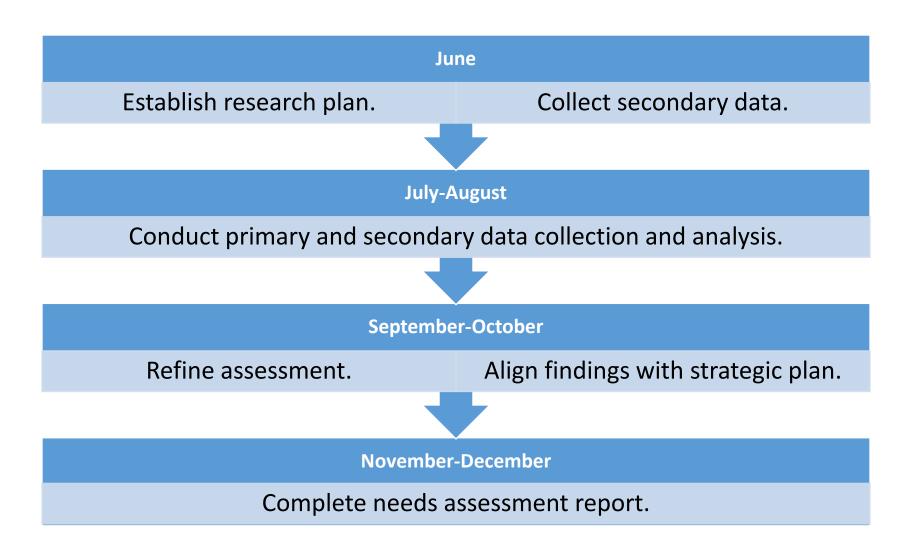


# CHI's Needs Assessment Approach

- Secondary data analysis
- Primary data analysis
  - Family data collection tool (survey, TBD)
  - Key informant interviews
  - Family and Provider Focus groups (+30)



### **Needs Assessment Timeline**







	Potential Existing Groups to Engage and/or To Leverage Their Existing Connections with Parents
Infants / toddlers / pre-k	Post-natal care (FQs, pediatric clinics); Play and Learn (Clayton); Early Head Start socialization groups; Statewide home visitation coalition
Children with disabilities and special health care needs	Program for Children with Special Needs (CDPHE), Parent2Parent; EL Groupo Vida; Bal Swan Children's Center; TLC Learning Center (Longmont); Sewall
Tribal	Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Council via CDHS liaison; Denver Indian Health and Family Services
Cultural/linguistic diversity	Spring Institute for Intercultural Learning; Early Head Start /Head Start Family coordinators; ELPASO in Lafayette
Socio economic status	Family Resource Center Association; Head Start; WIC clinics
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## **Questions for Discussion**

- 1. Which family groups are missing?
- 2. How would you prioritize family and provider/stakeholder engagement?
- 3. How else would you like to support?

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Overview of Strategic Planning Strategies Sarah Daily, Carrie Germeroth & Morgan Janke



# PDG Strategic Plan: Overview of the Workplan and Timeline

Program, Quality, and Alignment Subcommittee

June 14, 2019





Who we are





Purpose of the PDG Strategic Plan

To develop a strategic plan that facilitates collaboration and coordination among existing programs of ECE in a mixed delivery system... for all children, but particularly for those identified as most vulnerable...

Coordination between the Strategic Plan and Needs Assessment Teams

The Strategic Plan will identify goals and action steps that directly address the specific areas for improvement identified in the Needs Assessment and will reflect a comprehensive systems-plan approach.

# Project Coordination

#### **Needs Assessment**



#### Strategic Plan



Project Lead: Final Plan & Project Management



Stakeholder Engagement



Family Engagement

# Approach for developing the Strategic Plan

- ✓ Utilize the needs assessment information and data
- ✓ Align existing state and local strategic plans and frameworks
- ✓ Build on existing initiatives and foundational systems
- ✓ Broadly include stakeholders across the mixed delivery system
- ✓ Increase engagement in systemwide transition planning

# Key Activities

- 1. Analyze existing Strategic Plans
- 2. Family Engagement
- 3. Provider and Partner Stakeholder Engagement
- 4. Synthesis across data sources
- 5. Throughout the process, align the Strategic Plan development with the Needs Assessment

# Analyze Existing Strategic Plans

- Identify and collect existing strategic plans that align with the goals of the Birth To Five PDG
- Comparative analysis to identify common themes, trends, content, and gaps among the existing plans in relation to how they align with the Colorado Early Childhood Framework
- The results of this analysis can help inform the first two questions of the needs assessment: what do we have, and what is enough

# Family Engagement

- **Goal:** Identify strategies and opportunities for improving parent/caregiver participation in the B-5 system that will be included in the strategic plan.
  - Surveys
  - Focus Groups

# Family Engagement

#### Surveys

- Bright by Three's (BB3), Bright by Text (BBT) subscriber database
   ~1200 Colorado parents
- Partner organization websites, listservs, and newsletters

#### Focus Groups:

 ~8 to 10 geographically representative groups

# Provider & Partner Stakeholder Engagement

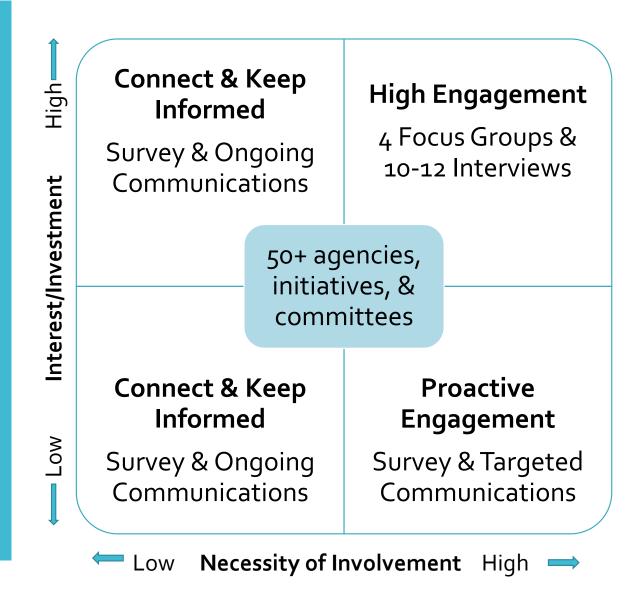
• Goal: Identify strategies and opportunities for supporting and facilitating collaboration and coordination among existing programs in a mixed delivery system to support all children and their families, particularly those identified as most vulnerable.







# Provider & Partner Stakeholder Engagement



#### Timeline

- June-July: Secondary data analysis, mapping baseline for Question 1 (Q1) and developing ideas for Q2
- June-Aug: Primary data collection
- July-Sept: Provide information to project groups and renewal application
- Aug: Renewal grant application released (60 day turnaround)
- Sept: Data analysis and interpretation, begin Q5

## Timeline Continued

- Sept: Data analysis and interpretation, begin
   Q5
- Oct: Renewal grant application submission, Evaluation Plan due to the Office of Early Childhood (OEC); vetting Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan with stakeholders and dissemination to project groups (Early Childhood Leadership Commission (ECLC) meets on October 24)
- Nov: Revisions, build out Q5
- Dec: Needs assessment and Strategic Plan due to the OEC (Dec 1), ECLC final endorsement (Dec 19), and OEC Submit final Needs assessment and Strategic Plan to the HHS Administration for Children and Families (10 day approval period)

#### Strategic Plan Team Contacts

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# Group Discussion on Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan (All)



## Opportunity for Input

Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan Data Collection Stakeholder groups Who is missing?

 What groups would you prioritize for us to connect with?

#### Key Questions

 What's the best way to connect with these groups?

 Would you be willing to circulate a survey link to the groups you are connected with?

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Potential existing groups to engage or leverage (not all 50+ agencies, initiatives, and committees identified are included below) **ECE Providers** Colorado Shines, CAEYC, CO Association of Family Child Care, CO ECE Association

Potential Provider & Partner Stakeholder Target Groups

**EC Councils** Early Childhood Council Leadership Alliance **Home Visitors CO Home Visiting Coalition** 

Mental Health Consultants CoAIMH, State & Private ECMHCs Physical & Behavioral Health Providers CO Academy of Pediatrics, CO Behavioral Healthcare Council, RAEs, RHCs

Family Strengthening & Resource Providers Family Resource Center Association Education, Human Services, Public Health, & County Human Services Directors, **Health Care Agencies** Association of Local PH Officials, CPP District Advisory Council, County Title V **Directors, Tribal Liaisons** 

**Child Protection** CO Association of Family & Children's Agencies **Economic Assistance** Office of Economic Security CO Workforce Development Council **Employment Support** Policymakers & Advocates CO Children's Campaign, Raise, Mental Health CO, CO EC Screening & Referral **Policy Council** 

**Funders** Early Childhood & ECMH Funders Networks Considerations across all provider & stakeholder target groups: Geographic Locations (Urban, Rural, Frontier); Age Groups Served (Infant, Toddler, Prek); and Cultural/Linguistic Diversity

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## Overview of Analytics and Evaluation Strategies Meg Franko & Amy Roberts



# Colorado Shines Brighter Analytics Project





## Purpose



Collect & analyze data to inform a long-term training and technical assistance plan for the Colorado Office of Early Childhood.







#### Surveys:

- CO Shines providers
- Coaches & quality improvement navigators
- Families

#### Administrative data analysis:

- CO Shines QRIS data
- CO Shines PDIS competencies
- Child care licensing data
- Help desk tickets



## Provider Survey

Who: All CO Shines providers, levels 1-5

#### What:

- Demographics/program characteristics
- Knowledge of CO Shines QRIS
- Perceptions/beliefs about CO Shines
- How providers teach & track student learning
- Desired trainings, perceived access to training

#### How:

- Online survey (& paper if needed)
- English & Spanish



## Coach & Quality Improvement Navigator Surveys



Who: all coaches & navigators

#### What:

- Job characteristics (e.g., experience, roles/responsibilities, salary and benefits)
- Training/support received and desired
- Outreach & engagement
- Who QI Navigators collaborate with most often
- Views of CO Shines

#### How:

- Online surveys (& paper if needed)
- English & Spanish





## Family Survey



Who: Stratified random sample of 1,500 families

#### What:

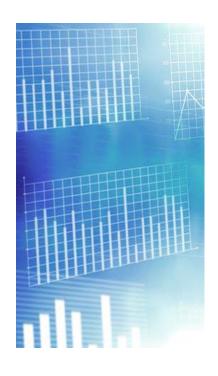
- Views of the CCCAP application process
- Awareness of CO Shines quality ratings
- Access to preferred child care arrangement
- Changes to CCCAP eligibility
- Perceived impacts of CCCAP

#### How:

- Paper & online surveys
- English & Spanish



#### Administrative Data



#### CO Shines QRIS data, levels 3-5:

→ Determine sub-indicators to prioritize for TA/training.

#### **PDIS** competencies:

- → Identify educators' lowest-rated competencies.
- → Analyze the relationship between self-rated competencies & classroom quality.
- → Identify PDIS e-learning courses that predict competency ratings.



#### Administrative Data (Cont.)

#### **Child care licensing**

- $\rightarrow$  Identify incidences of types of violations.
- → Identify the competencies of administrators associated with lower incidences of common violations.

#### Help desk tickets

→ Identify the most common questions posed by providers.





## Timeline

	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.			
Provider, coach, navigator, & family surveys										
Survey development	0	•								
Obtain secondary data	0	0								
Survey administration			•	•						
Data analysis					0	0				
Dissemination							0			
Administrative data analysis										
Obtain secondary data	0	0								
Data analysis			0	0	0	0				
Dissemination							0			



## LEAD AGENCY: BUTLER INSTITUTE FOR FAMILIES

#### **Butler team:**

- Amy Roberts, PhD, Principal Investigator (PI)
- Meg Franko, PhD, Co Pl
- Ann Wacker, MA, Senior Research Associate
- Anthony Molieri, MSW, Project Manager
- Selena Leon, BA, Research Coordinator

#### **Butler roles:**

- Client coordination, fiscal, logistical, and administrative oversight
- Survey administration, analysis, and reporting

#### **PARTNERS**

NORC at the University of Chicago Vi-Nhuan Le, PhD, Consultant & Senior Analyst

- ☐ Facilitate secure data transfer(s)
- Advise on/lead statistical analysis
- Contribute to dissemination

Diana Schaack, PhD, Consultant

☐ Contribute to development of data collection instruments



# Colorado Shines Brighter Evaluation Planning









## Purpose



Produce an evaluation plan for Colorado Shines Brighter (CSB) that includes three components:

- (1) a process evaluation;
- (2) a cost evaluation; and
- (3) an outcome evaluation.

## Overarching Approach





- Review
- Refine
- Identify
- Articulate
- Create



### Review

- Existing research questions
- Data sources
- Evaluation plan activities
- Literature





#### Refine

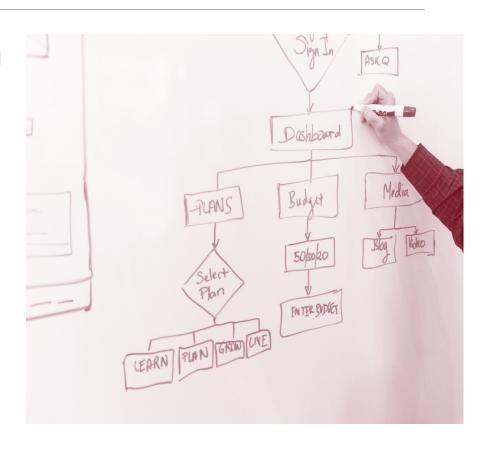
Collaborate with the CSB Evaluation Team to make any needed changes or additions to existing research questions and evaluation plan strategies to reflect new or changed Year 2-4 CSB activities, based on the "Review" phase of the process.





## Identify

- Evaluation approach
- Samples
- Data collection
- Analytical procedures
- Dissemination





#### Articulate



Prepare a written documentation that clearly presents and describes the evaluation plan for CSB's Year 2-4 activities.

This is the plan that OEC will be able to include in any application to the federal government for a continuation of Preschool Development Grant (PDG) funding.



#### Create

Develop tools and protocols for any primary data collection or use of secondary data sources.



## Timeline



#### BUTLER INSTITUTE FOR FAMILIES Graduate School of Social Work

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Coordination with CSB Evaluation Team*		X	X	X	X	X
Logic model review and revision	X		X			
Review CSB Year 1 evaluation questions, evaluation plan, and identified data sources	X					
Review planned CSB activities for Years 2-4		X	X	X		
Coordinate with CSB Evaluation Team to refine/identify evaluation questions for Years 2-4				X		
Map evaluation questions to logic model components and Year 2-4 activities				X	X	
Identify evaluation methodology, sample, and timeframe					X	
Identify and make recommendations regarding existing data sources and data collection processes that support evaluation questions and methodology						X
Write evaluation plan narrative						X
Create new data collection tools/protocols as needed						X



## Roles and Responsibilities

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- Laricia Longworth-Reed, MA, Senior Research Associate

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- ☐ Lead development of Process Evaluation Plan
- Client coordination, fiscal, logistical, and administrative oversight

#### **PARTNERS**

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Vi-Nhuan Le, PhD, Consultant & Senior
Analyst

- ☐ Lead development of Outcome Evaluation Plan
- Advise on statistical analysis

BRODSKY Research and Consulting Andrew Brodsky, PhD, President

☐ Lead development of Cost Evaluation Plan



## Update on Summit Planning Meeting Kristina Heyl





## Public Comment and Member Updates





### Next Steps and Adjourn

Agenda Topics for Future Meetings



## Next Meeting: ECLC Program Quality & Alignment Friday July 12, 2019 from 9:00- 11:00 am

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