

# Early Childhood Comprehensive System (ECCS) Working Group

August 23rd, 2022

*Welcome!  
We will begin shortly.*

A Working Group  
under the PQA  
Subcommittee of the



**illuminate**  
Building Brighter Childhoods

# Welcome!

Please introduce yourself in chat!

- Name
- Organization

**Join us for a game of  
“Would You Rather?”**



# Updates & Celebrations

## Welcome Lindsey Dorneman!

*Lindsey Dorneman is stepping in as the new Director of the Colorado Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems: Health Integration Prenatal to Three (CO-ECCS) Project.*

Following the launch of the new [Colorado Department of Early Childhood](#) (CDEC) on July 1, 2022, there were shifts in organizational structure to ensure success of the new department and its initiatives. This has led to a change in the Project Director for the Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) grant starting August 1, 2022.

Lindsey Dorneman will take on this role in addition to her current position as Director of the Preschool Development Grant Birth through Five (PDG B-5) initiative, known as Colorado Shines Brighter. Lindsey has an extensive understanding of the Colorado early childhood system and landscape. It is our hope this will strengthen alignment with the Colorado Shines Brighter Birth through Five Strategic Plan and enhance its efforts towards health integration and capacity building.

While Heather Craiglow is stepping away as Project Director, she will still remain part of the CO-ECCS Project representing the CDEC on the ECCS Working Group in her role as the Head Start State Collaboration Office Director and as a Commissioner of the Early Childhood Leadership Commission (ECLC). We are grateful for her leadership in getting the project off the ground and excited that her knowledge and history with the project will stay close!

# Approve Last Meeting's Minutes

Minutes Approved: TBD

## Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) Working Group

June 22nd, 2022 | 3:30 – 4:30 PM MDT | Via Zoom

### Minutes

#### Meeting Objectives

- Identify common values & purpose
- Identify Co-Chairs & Members & defining their roles
- Orient to the initial Work Plan

#### Attendees

Eileen Auer Bennett, Tanya Weinburg, Heather Craiglow, Marian Bussey, Lisa Franklin, Lynne Bakalyan, Gina Robinson, Alisha Lacombe-Emile, Claudia Strait, Emily Bustos, Heather Tritten, Iesha Mitchell, Jaime Cabrera, [Tennj](#) Mortimyer, Jessica Stoker, Kendra Neumann, Michele Coates, Suman Mathur, Theresa Rapstine, Ayelet Talmi, Enola Carland, Joyce Johnson, Laurie Knudtson, Lindsey Dornemann, Lisa Jansen Thompson, Mara Holiday, Dawn Newby, Jillian Fabricius

#### Welcome and Introductions

Heather Craiglow and Dawn Newby introduced themselves to attendees.

Attendees entered their introductions into the chat with Name, Title, Organization

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# Meeting Objectives

- Defining how we will be working together
- Build norms for the Working Group
- Establish collaboration as a central measure to the CO-ECCS project and inform it will be evaluated

# How We Work Together

## Vision of the CO-ECCS Project

This project will advance the infrastructure, capacity, equity, and sustainability of Colorado's maternal and early childhood systems of care



*"All children are valued, healthy, and thriving and have equal access to services, supports and resources."*

# ECCS Working Group

Coordinated  
Intake and  
Referral System  
(CIRS)  
[Goal 1]



Healthcare and  
Early Childhood  
Partnerships  
[Goal 2]



Early Childhood  
Health Equity  
Planning  
[Goal 3]

**Implementation Teams**

## Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Working Group

Led by three co-chairs; includes voting members;  
open for additional stakeholders.

# How We Work Together: Building Norms

Norms can be:

- How we act
- What we do
- How we are with each other

What will help you show up and participate authentically at our Working Group Meetings?



**Let's Brainstorm!**



# How We Work Together: Building Norms

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No Way! I will not adhere to this	I see MAJOR issues we need to resolve	I see MINOR issues we need to resolve now.	I can agree with one minor adjustment	I agree and I'm fine with this as it is	I love this! I will champion this.



# Exploring Collaboration in ECCS

Presenters: *Marian  
Bussey, Jessica Stoker,  
Carsten Baumann*

## **CO-ECCS Evaluation Team**



# Goals of the Evaluation

- The evaluation should demonstrate progress in working together and provide information on the strengths and opportunities for improvement in how we work together
- Since the ECCS grant requires collaboration to achieve:
  - Increasing engagement of new stakeholders (includes Coordinated Intake and Referral System/CIRS implementation)
  - Aligning early childhood and maternal child health systems (includes funding options)
  - Advancing health equity and integrating family voice and diversity (includes the P-3 Early Childhood Health Equity Action Plan)
- The evaluation will explore:
  - Trends in perceptions of collaborative efforts over time
  - Trends in the working relationships among the diverse agencies and groups
  - Links between strength of collaboration and reaching the ECCS goals

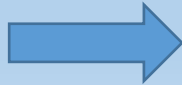
# Exploring Collaboration in ECCS

Our evaluation for HRSA for the ECCS grant includes an assessment of group collaboration over the grant period. The evaluation team (Marian Bussey, Jessica Stoker and Carsten Baumann) plans to use 3 methods to do this:

- 1) The *Working Together* survey of collaboration – every 6 months, starting this September. This is for all Working Group participants – to be done at the end of a meeting, taking ~ 10 minutes
- 2) *The PARTNER Tool* for social network analysis – 3 times over the next 4 years. This will be done by core EC agencies, identified in the grant and by the Working Group, to be done outside of Working Group meeting time
- 3) Key Informant interviews – with Working Group members, also CIRS participants

# Working Together Survey – for September meeting

- For all Working Group members
- It is anonymous, so to link surveys without any identifying information, we'll ask the same unique ID code questions each time



Your Anonymous ID code - This self-generated code allows us to look at trends over time, while keeping your responses completely anonymous.

Please enter:

The first letter of your middle name

The 2-digit number for your month of birth

The 2-letter code for the state in which you were born

The last 2 digits of your personal cell phone number

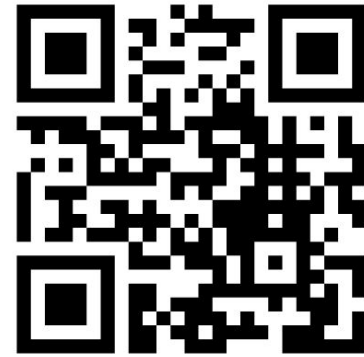
*Note: if you don't have a middle name, please put an X in the first box; if you were born outside of the US, please put the first two letters of your country of birth instead.*

# Public Comment

Go to

[www.menti.com](https://www.menti.com)

& Enter the code



# Closing

## Actions you can take:

1. [Submit immediate feedback](#)
2. Members: [Complete the Enrollment Form](#)
3. Add to the [Work Plan First Look Jamboard](#)

Next ECCS Working Group meeting:

**September 27th**  
**11:00 am - 12:00 pm**

Monthly on the 4th Tuesday,  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm