

# Early Childhood Comprehensive System (ECCS) Working Group

December 20th, 2022

*Welcome!*

*We will begin shortly.*

***This meeting will be recorded.***

A Working Group  
under the PQA  
Subcommittee of the



illuminate  
Building Brighter Childhoods

# 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 Norms

- We are **present and engaged** when we attend meetings
- We are **open minded**
- We **respect** each others time
- We act with **integrity** and **transparency**
- We **share honestly** in discussion
- We make space for everyone's **genuine perspectives and experiences.**
- We **assume best intentions** but also acknowledge what we share can impact others
- We are **action oriented** and **solution focused**. Our purpose, goals and action steps are clear to everyone.
- Meetings are **language accessible**
- Meetings are **accessible to families**, those who will be impacted by our work
- Meetings are **dynamic** and **engaging**
- Agenda and materials are shared with enough time before meetings

# Meeting Objectives

- Share updates on the project team's progress on identifying an equity consultant, sharing who has been selected and provide context on their role with the working group.
- Inform the status of the Strategic Plan, the ECCS strategies incorporated in the Colorado Shines Brighter update, and the next steps to operationalize the plan to clarify activities of the working group.
- Provide transparency on how the project team is acting on the working group's feedback and input on process and planning. The background and history of the working group will be revisited to provide context.

# Approve Last Meeting's Minutes

Minutes Approved: TBD

Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) Working Group



October 25th, 2022 | 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM MDT | Via Zoom

Minutes

## Meeting Objectives

- Review the timeline of submitting the CO-ECCS Strategic Plan to the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and the role of the Working Group to support completion of those deliverables.
- Provide a high-level overview of the CO-ECCS System Asset and Care Analysis and

# Updates & Celebrations



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# Equity Consultant to CO-ECCS Project



Solution Consulting Co. is a Black-owned national diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) consulting company based in Charlotte, NC.



**Tenisha "Ava" Williams**  
Founder & CEO



**Yinka Ajirotutu**  
Consultant

# CO-ECCS Strategic Plan Timeline

OCTOBER 2022

NOVEMBER 2022

DECEMBER 2022

JANUARY 2023

Compile feedback for CO-ECCS strategic Plan:

- 1) Changes to ECCS Working Group Key Activities
- 2) Strategies to update/add to *Colorado Shine Brighter Birth - Five Strategic Plan* (CSB-SP) that reflect CO-ECCS priorities

Review feedback due Nov. 3rd

Gather consensus from Working Group of recommended strategies to update and add to the CSB - SP by Nov. 17th

Recommendations to CSB- SP presented.

Finalize CO-ECCS Strategic Plan with Working Group

Connect on next steps for the coming year for working group and implementation teams






Begin first activities of implementation teams

Project Team submits the integrated CO-ECCS Strategic Plan to HRSA by Jan 31st



# Review of the CO-ECCS Strategic Plan

Table 3. ECCS Strategies to be embedded under CSB Strategic Plan Objectives

CSB Objective	ECCS Strategy
1.1 - Make Data-Informed Decisions	 1.1.7 Prenatal-to-Three Early Childhood Equity Action Plan. Develop an Early Childhood Equity Action Plan that advances equity for prenatal to three that is a collaboration of the early childhood and maternal child health systems.
1.2 - Ensure Coordinated Services	 1.2.8 Integrated Coordinated Intake and Referral Systems. Identify and assess barriers across local and state referral systems, create resources to support community cross-sector integration, and develop recommendations for future improvements to prenatal to three referral systems.
1.3 - Promote and Share Knowledge	 1.3.3 Prenatal-to-Three Policy. Identify and prioritize policy and financing recommendations that support an integrated prenatal-to-three system and mobilize partners to advance those recommendations.
3.3 - Provide Inclusive Opportunities for Family Engagement and Leadership	 3.3.3 Family Voice in Integrated Systems. Ensure structures are in place to receive and incorporate family voices across early childhood and maternal child health policy and initiative planning, implementation, and continuous quality improvement processes.
4.1 - Build Community Capacity	 4.1.9 Sustainable Integrated Programming. Develop resources to increase connections between early childhood and maternal child health systems through cross-sector planning, braiding and blending funds, and sustainable implementation strategies.

- Endorsed by the ECLC on 12/15!
- CDEC will update the CSB At-A-Glance Documents

# Review of the CO-ECCS Strategic Plan

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More detail on implementation and measures are to come with work plans.

# Using the Collective Impact Model

A network of community members, organizations and institutions

That advance equity

By learning together, aligning, and integrating their actions

To achieve population and systems level change

# A network of community members, organizations and institutions...

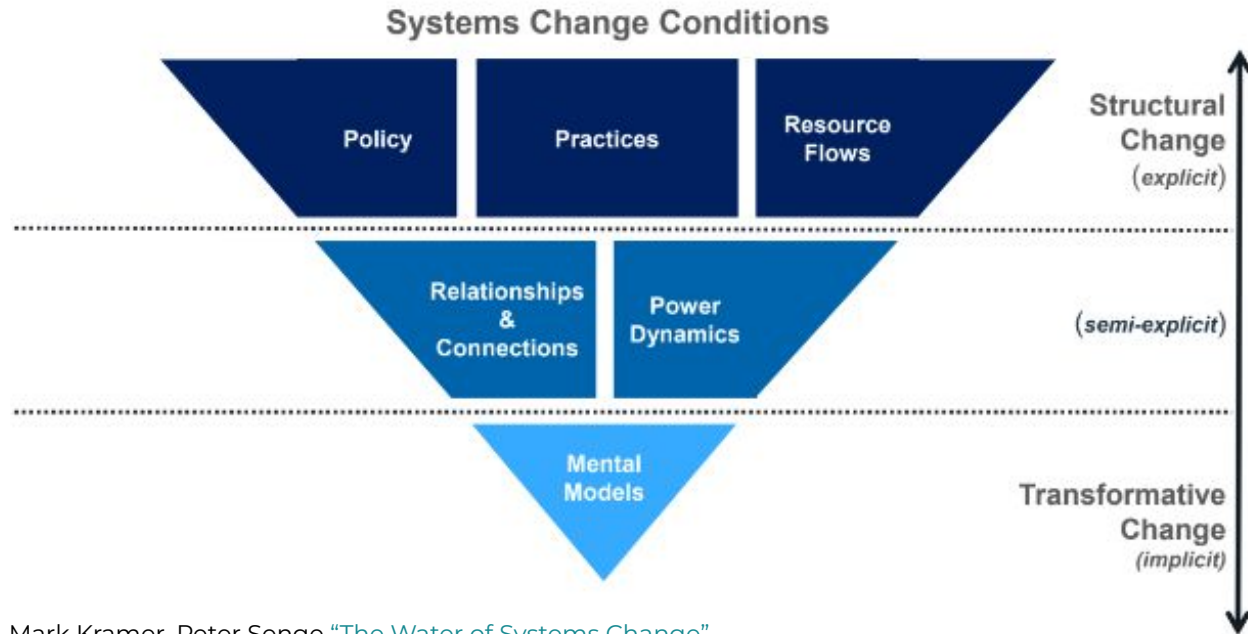
- Cross-sector collaboration is required for systems change
- Partners represent a variety of points of view, types of work and sectors.
- Purposefully embedded in the ECLC





# ...to achieve population and systems level change.

*Changing the conditions that hold the problem in place*



Source: John Kania, Mark Kramer, Peter Senge [“The Water of Systems Change”](#)

# Collaborative Improvement Process

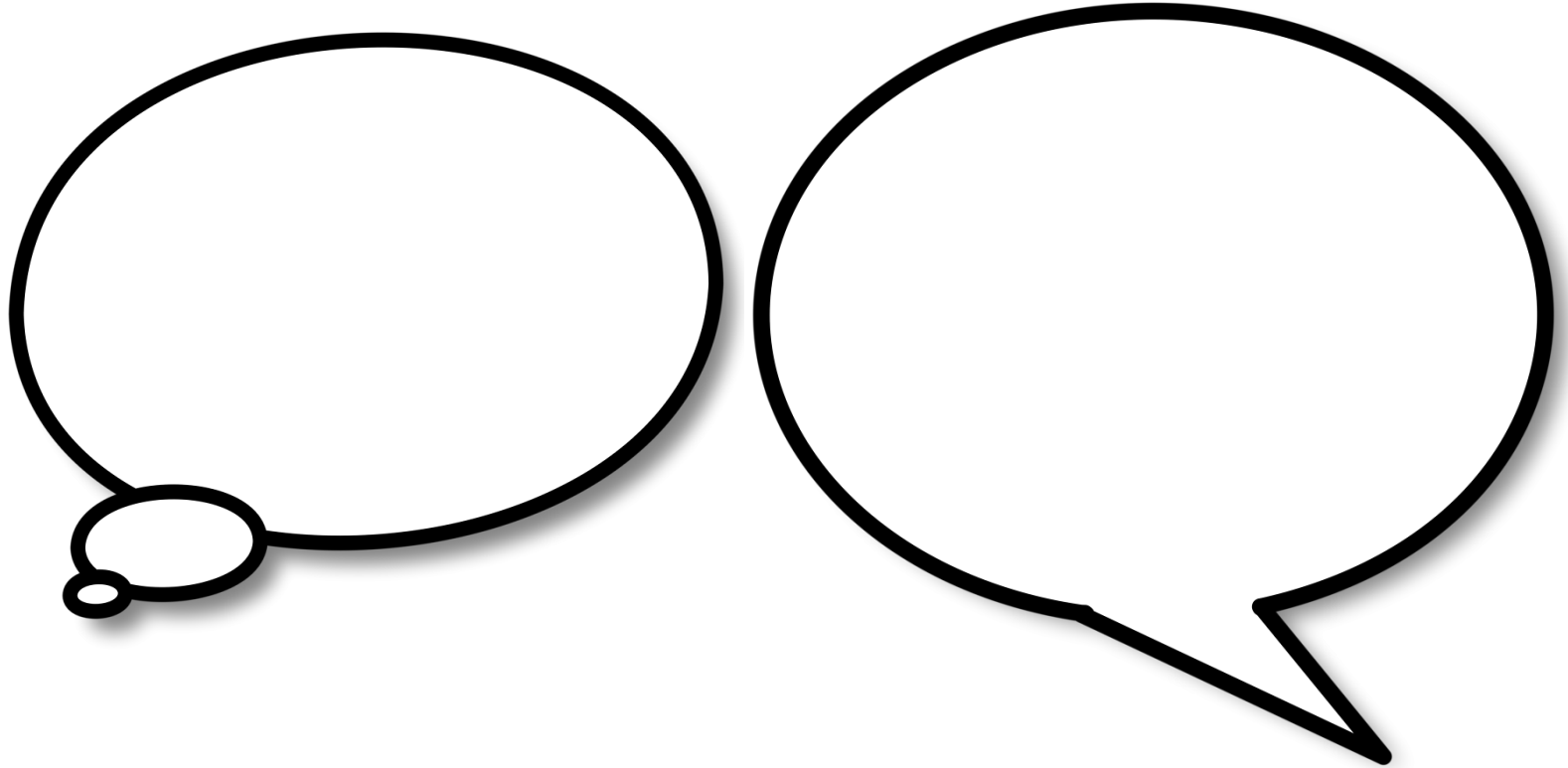
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What is next...

- Work plans for Implementation Teams
- Meeting structures and cadence
- Building a culture to advance strategy



# Public Comment





# Closing

## Actions you can take:

1. Provide immediate feedback on this meeting
2. Enjoy time off in a way that meets your needs!

*Happy Holidays!*

## January Working Group Meeting:

January 24th, 2023  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm

*See you  
next year!*

