

State Interagency Coordinating Council (SICC) Public Session

Wednesday April 16th, 2025

9:00am-10:30am

Microsoft Teams

Meeting Agenda

Attendees:

Karen Lewis, Allison Setterlind, Melinda Ford- Williams, Jennifer Richardson, Kevin Byrd, Synita Griswell, Melissa Story, Shana Shinholster, Yvette Garrett, Erica Glenn, Rebecca Hinson, Shannon Hall, Elizabeth Gosa, Alyssa Allen, Sharifa Peart, Kelly Weaver, Tamara Wilson, Stephanie Moss, Mili Cordero, Javonna Williams, Tania Beavers, Shauna Malone, Lydia Madison, Stephanie Moss, Kiara Loud, Shari Whiting, Jenni Nowicki, Ellie Gonsalves, Tracy Bain, Kimberly Williams, Laura Moncada, Courtney Chandler, Lois Blockley, Kristen Craig, Brittany Sims, Sitara Nayak, Amie LoCicero, Tamela Baker, Barbara Ross, Julie Burns, Caitlyn Sanders, Carol Stein, Cindy Vail, Sheila Carter, Theresa Clements, Shermell Martin, Cindy McNeil, Sharonda Davis, Callan Wells, Nisey Bufford, Fozia Khan Eskew, Jennifer Saunders, Kelly Ball, Shauna Malone, Mara White, Dian Roberts, Mesha Robinson, Robin Schafer, Lisa Wiles, Alondra Mustafa.

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Welcome, Roll Call	9:00am	Karen Lewis, SICC Chair & Kiara Loud, Vice Chair Elizabeth Gosa, BCW SICC & Family Support Manager
Review and Approval of Minutes: January 16, 2025, Public & Executive	9:03am	Karen Lewis, SICC Chair & Kiara Loud, Vice Chair
Lead Agency Report - Women, Children, and Nursing Services and BCW updates <i>Kevin Byrd shared the following updates:</i> BCW Conference - Postponed until Fall 2025– no other updates from DPH leadership at this time DPH Travel Ban	9:05am	Kevin Byrd, Babies Can't Wait (BCW) Director/Part C Coordinator

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• Effective as of Jan. 28th • No announced end date • Impacted LA's attendance at the NTI (Pyramid Model) conference (4/21-25) and potentially the CIFR Fiscal Forum (scheduled 5/12th-15th) • DEC-SC Virtual Institute • May 2, 2025 • Approved for up to 4.5 SCEIs contact hours • ICC sponsored 40 BCW attendees including local program staff and contract SCs • Cobb/Douglas is sponsoring Five (5) additional attendees • DOE: April 8th Meeting • New State (IDEA) Director: Charity Roberts • Discussion topics included timelines/late referrals/Part C & B program myths/Regional Consortiums (restarting) • BCW Tabletop Tents for Local Pediatrician/Medical offices • Finally arrived!! • Each display is in both English and Spanish • Each local program will receive six (6) tents • APR • Clarification Period: April 8th-22nd • Next: Scheduled meeting with J. Simpson to discuss OSEP's initial responses, make required changes (if possible), and submit back to OSEP by 4/22nd • Concerns re. General Supervision, Local program ability to correct findings and its process, implicit bias with the state's representativeness in responses from FOS, and the state's SSIP results including developed outcomes and processes • REMINDER TO SET DATE TO DISCUSS PERFORMANCE TARGETS • FY2025 Part C Grant Application • Posted for public comment now • Submission to OSEP by: May 22nd • LA Requisition: PR Specialist • Total of 30 applicants		

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- Three (3) qualified applicants chosen for interviews that were held the week of April 1st - Candidate selected and LA awaiting response from HR Georgia Equity in Family Outcomes (FOS surveys) - Mini surveys are in final draft - Elizabeth working with P2P to facilitate a focus group to get feedback on the surveys - Elizabeth and Jenni attended the P2P retreat on March 12th and shared detailed info on FOS process as well as the development of the mini surveys DMS: - Discovery Period changed to November 2025 - Audit changed to March 2026 LA & OOC - Partnership between BCW/DECAL/CLD EI Practitioners Contract Renewals - FY26 renewal letters went out to EICs and EI practitioners April 15th - Letters will be submitted to EICs and the EICs will begin submitting letters to the LA beginning May 15th Conferences/Workshops/Webinars/Acknowledgements - SAVE THE DATE: 2025 OSEP Conference: Aug. 5th – 7th (Marriott Crystal Gateway, Arlington, VA) - OSEP only sponsoring five (5) state members (3 – Part B/2-Part C: Part C Coordinator & Data Mgr.) SI Virtual Summit - May 22nd 8:45am-4:30pm 5.5 SCEIS contact credit hours		
SICC Budget Update <i>Shannon Hall shared the SICC budget update and a copy of the document referenced will be sent to the Council.</i>	9:05am	Shannon Hall, Sr. Sr Manager, Business Operations Division of Women, Children and Nursing Services

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Public Comment (via in-person, in writing, conference line, or Microsoft Teams) <i>Kevin Byrd shared a public comment that was mailed to the State Office. A copy can be made available upon request. No other public comment was received.</i>	9:20am	Elizabeth Gosa, BCW SICC & Family Support Manager
Other Updates from the Council • Parent to Parent of Georgia • Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC) Meetings • Trainings • Other <i>During this time the following updates were shared:</i> - Fozia Khan Eskew shared about an upcoming seminar for developmental pediatricians around early relational health and trauma informed care. - Synita Griswell shared about the upcoming Autism Conference that is on 5/28/2025 - Parent to Parent of Georgia shared an update regarding the contract with BCW and provided a presentation that is to be shared with the Council. <i>Dr. Vail informed the Council that UGA was currently recruiting for the Pathways Grant.</i>	9:29am	Karen Lewis, SICC Chair/ Sitara Nayak, VP of Programs, Parent to Parent of Georgia
End Public Session	10:33am	Karen Lewis, SICC Chair