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PUBLIC NOTICE

Georgia Department of Public Health State Interagency Coordinating Council (SICC)

Georgia's Part C Program | Babies Can't Wait (BCW)
Public Comment Session: Thursday, October 18, 2018

The Georgia SICC for Early Intervention Programs guides the Department of Public Health (DPH) and other agencies responsible for serving children from birth to age three with developmental delays and disabilities as well as their families, with a family-centered, comprehensive service delivery system that promotes optimal child development and family functioning.

VOICE YOUR OPINION! We want to hear your thoughts, ideas and concerns about the Babies Can't Wait Program. **Attend the SICC Quarterly Meeting Thursday, October 18, 2018 from 9:30am – 12:00pm.** Ask your local BCW Service Coordinator about limited financial assistance available to help you with related expenses.

Public Comment

Time is reserved for public comment during each quarterly meeting of the State Interagency Coordinating Council. If you would like to share your thoughts or ideas about Babies Can't Wait with the Council please **choose one** of the options:

1. **Written Comment:**

Send written comments, clearly marked "PUBLIC COMMENT" to fax number 770-342-7699 or email to Phyllis Turner, SICC Coordinator, at phyllis.turner@dph.ga.gov **no later than Wednesday, October 17, 2018.** Your comments will be read aloud during the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

2. **Remote Participation:**

Pre-Register to make Public Comment via **remote participation by conference line or telehealth** during the meeting. (See instructions below for remote participation.) Email Phyllis Turner, SICC Coordinator, at phyllis.turner@dph.ga.gov **no later than Wednesday, October 17, 2018.** Your name will be announced to provide public comment remotely during the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

3. **In person:**

At registration sign-in on the day of the meeting **check “Yes”** to the question, “**Would you like to make public comment?**” Your name will be announced to provide public comment during the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

For more information, please email Phyllis Turner, SICC Coordinator, at phyllis.turner@dph.ga.gov

REMOTE PARTICIPATION

For remote participation during the SICC meeting, please use one of the following options:

Free Conference Line

- Participants can listen to the public portion of the meeting and make public comment by telephone when announced by the Council Chairperson during the reserved time for Public Comment on the meeting agenda.

Dial (641) 552-9446, enter access code: 988041

Telehealth Network

- The Telehealth Network allows participants to view and listen to the public portion of the meeting by going to one of the following locations around the state. Participants who pre-register can make a public comment when announced by the Council Chairperson at the time allotted for Public Comment on the meeting agenda. See pre-registration instructions under Public Comment via **remote participation**. District Early Intervention Coordinators and Local Interagency Coordinating Council members will be given an opportunity to provide updates and information in the order listed on the meeting agenda.

Northwest Health District 1309 Redmond Rd Rome, Ga. 30165 Conference room 253 VICS # 10.11.1.104.	North Georgia Health District 1-2 1710 Whitehouse Court Building B CSN Conference Room Dalton, GA 30701
Cobb & Douglas County Board of Health 1738 County Services Parkway Marietta, GA 30008 Building B WIC class room B	College Park Regional Health Center 1920 John E. Wesley Ave., College Park, Ga., 30337 Location Supervisor: Janice Wright
North Central Health District 201 Second St., Room 805 Macon, GA 31201	District 4 Public Health 301 Main Street Lagrange, GA 30240

South Health District 206 S. Patterson St. 3 rd Floor, BCW Conference Room Valdosta, GA 31601	West Central Health District 2100 Comer Avenue Columbus, GA 31904
Coastal Health District 420 Mall Blvd Savannah, GA 31406 Large Conference room	Southwest Health District 8-2 Georgia Department of Public Health 1306 S. Slappey Blvd., Suite A Albany, GA 31701
North Health District 1280 Athens Street Gainesville, GA. 30507 Large Conference Room	Southeast Health District 1123 Church Street, Annex B Waycross, GA 31501
Richmond County Health Department 1916 North Leg Rd. Building B- Small training room Augusta, Ga. 30909	South Central Health District 5-1 District Office Conference Room 2121- B Bellevue Road Dublin, GA 31021
Northeast Health District 189 Paradise Blvd. Athens, GA 30607 Athens District WIC Conf. Rm.	Ga Dept. of Public Health 2 Peachtree St Atlanta, GA 30303 Room DPH-9-260 (Adinas Room)

About Babies Can't Wait

The Babies Can't Wait (BCW) program is Georgia's statewide early intervention system for infants and toddlers from birth to age three with special needs and their families. BCW enhances families' ability to meet the special needs of their child to ensure each young child with significant developmental delays reaches his or her maximum developmental potential. To learn more about DPH Babies Can't Wait program, please call (404) 657-2850 or (888) 651-8224 or visit <http://dph.georgia.gov/Babies-Cant-Wait>.

About the Georgia Department of Public Health

The Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) is the lead agency in preventing disease, injury and disability; promoting health and well-being; and preparing for and responding to disasters. DPH's main functions include: Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, Maternal and Child Health, Infectious Disease and Immunization, Environmental Health, Epidemiology, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Emergency Medical Services, Pharmacy, Nursing, Volunteer Health Care, the Office of Health Equity, Vital Records, and the State Public Health Laboratory. For more information about DPH, visit <http://dph.ga.gov>.