



**Governor's Early Childhood
Advisory Council (ECAC)
Full Council Meeting**

December 6, 2023

Welcome!

Reminders:

- Please ensure your Zoom name is accurate for attendance purposes and to help the Council to determine quorum.
- If unable to change your name, please enter your name in the chat feature.
- We will have a public comment portion at the end of the meeting.



ECAC Meeting Agenda

- **Call to Order, Agenda Review, Approval of Minutes**
- **New Member Welcome**
- **Co-Chair Welcome & Updates**
- **What's New in the Field: Act 20 Presentation (DPI)**
- **Birth to Five Strategic Framework (Consilience Group)**
- **ECAC Structure & Subcommittee Discussion**
- **Public Comment**
- **Next Steps and Closing Remarks**



New Member Welcome



Co-Chair Welcome & Updates



What's New in the Field: Act 20 Presentation



Break



B-5 Strategic Framework: Consilience Group Presentation



Looking Ahead: ECAC Structure



Recent Full Council Activities:

- **Together we:**
- Anchored in the ECAC Executive Order
- Completed Mentimeter surveys to gauge interest in re-establishing subcommittees and exploring subcommittee topics
- Facilitated breakout group discussions related to access, workforce, and data



ECAC Structure

- **The Steering Committee reviewed the following:**
 - ECAC Executive Order
 - ECAC members' Mentimeter results
 - B-5 Strategic Framework
 - BUILD's framework for Early Childhood Systems
 - PDG Needs Assessment & B-5 Plan



Re-establishing Subcommittees

- The Steering Committee has identified **three subcommittees**:
 - Early Learning
 - Health, Safety, and Wellbeing
 - Workforce
- To further the interests of the State's early childhood system



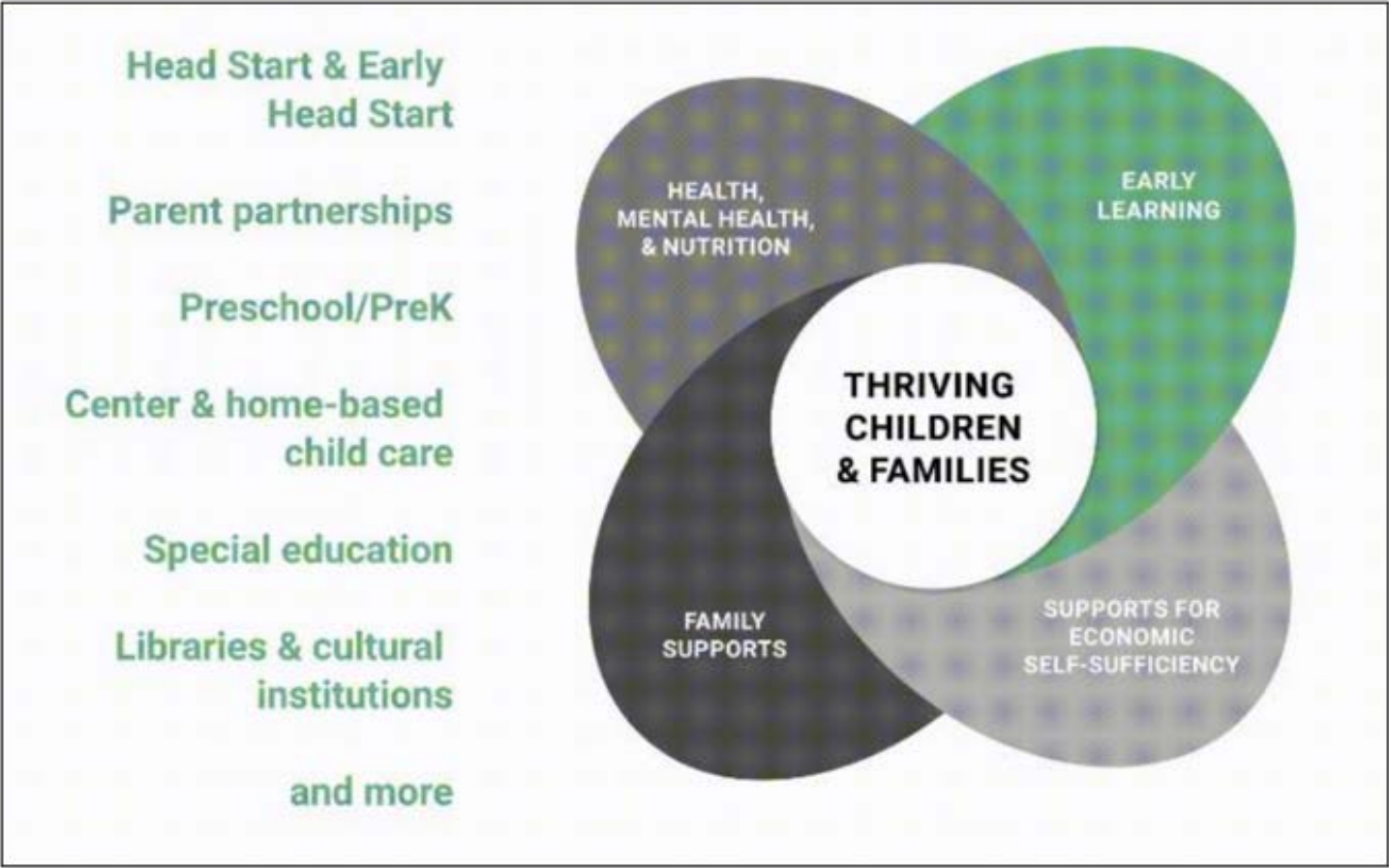
Early Learning Subcommittee

Aligned to **Executive Order** duties to:

- Develop recommendations for increasing the overall participation of children in existing Federal, State, and local child care and early childhood education programs, including outreach to underrepresented and special populations
- Make recommendations for improvements in State early learning standards and undertake efforts to develop high-quality comprehensive early learning standards, as appropriate



Early Learning Subcommittee



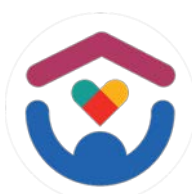
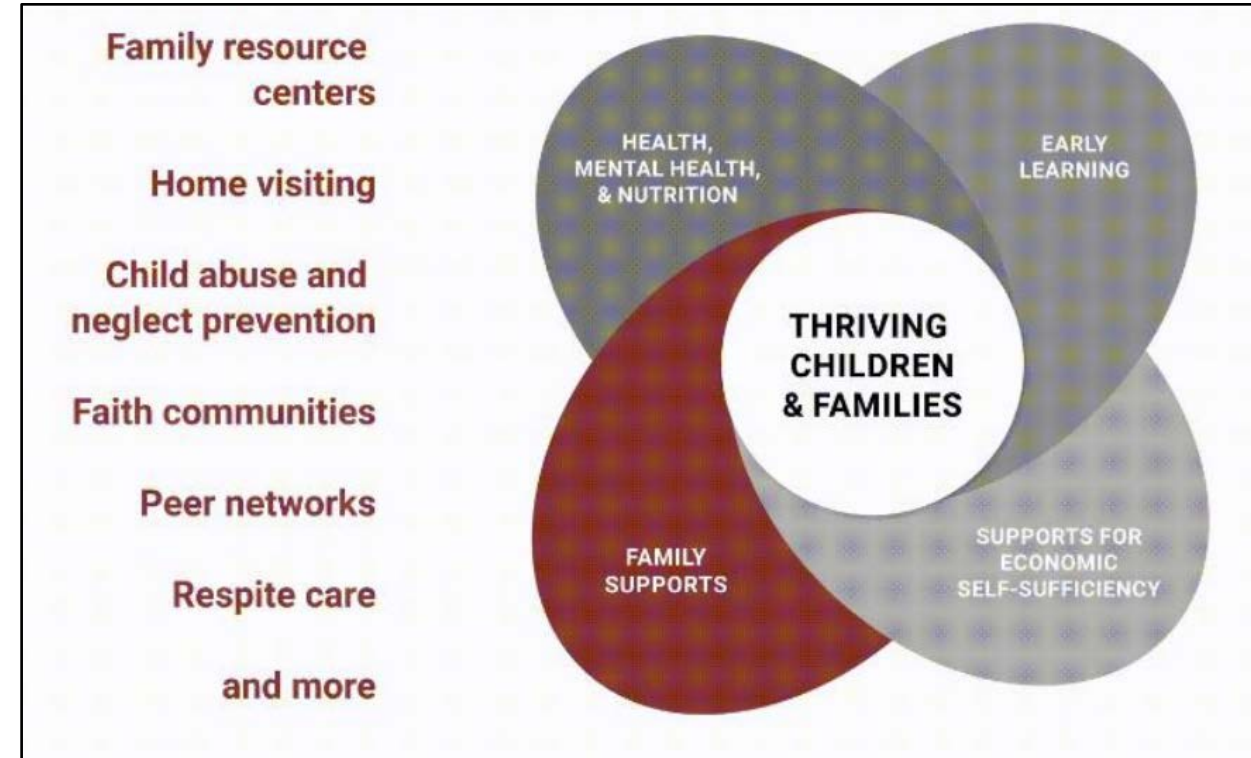
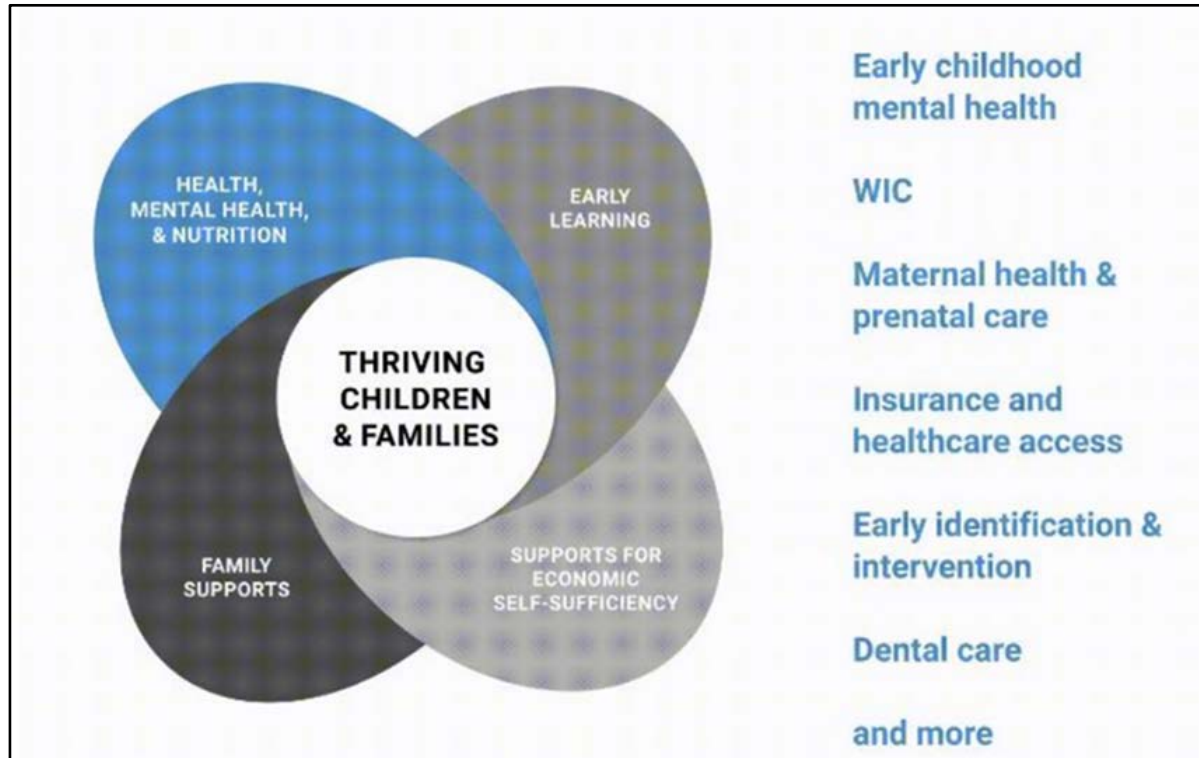
Health, Safety, and Wellbeing Subcommittee

Aligned to **Executive Order** duties to:

- Conduct a periodic statewide needs assessment concerning the quality and availability of early childhood education and development programs and services for children from birth to school entry, including an assessment of the availability of high-quality pre-kindergarten services for low-income children in the State
- Identify opportunities for, and barriers to, collaboration and coordination among Federally-funded and State-funded child development, child care, and early childhood education programs and services, including collaboration and coordination among State agencies responsible for administering such programs



Health, Safety, and Wellbeing Subcommittee



Workforce Subcommittee

Aligned to **Executive Order** duties to:

- Develop recommendations regarding statewide professional development and career advancement plans for early childhood educators in the State
- Assess the capacity and effectiveness of 2- and 4-year public and private institutions of higher education in the State toward supporting the development of early childhood educators, including the extent to which such institutions have in place articulation agreements, professional development and career advancement plans, and practice or internships for students to spend time in a Head Start or pre kindergarten program



Subcommittees: Next Steps

- Each ECAC member (or a designee from their organization) to join one subcommittee
- Subcommittees will be comprised of ECAC members, their designees, and non-members with subject matter expertise
- Forthcoming survey to identify ECAC subcommittee preferences
- Subcommittees will receive staffing support
- Subcommittees will have the opportunity to identify a priority project in 2024



Full Council Activities

- Biennial Report, including recommendations to the Governor
- Focus on data (i.e., data gaps, reports, etc.)
- Lived experience thread



Member Discussion



Public Comment

Please note there are two ways to make comment:

- Raise hand in Zoom and come off mute.
- Add your comment to the chat box.



Next Steps & Closing Remarks



Save the Date: 2024 ECAC Full Council Meeting Schedule

All meetings are from 9:00a-12:00p

- March 13, 2024
- June 5, 2024
- September 25, 2024
- December 4, 2024



Thank you!

