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ECCS Strategic Planning
Deliberate Collaborative Approach
- Leadership Team
- Early Childhood Core Team
- Virtual Table (www.greatstartforkids.org)
- Component Workgroups

ECCS Strategic Planning

A Few Facts:
- 673,000 Children, Birth – 5
- 61% Children under 6, with all Parents in Workforce
- 12,000 Licensed Child Care & Early Education Providers – serving 352,000 Children & Families
- 6% Providers that are Accredited
- 80 State Child Care Licensing Consultants
- 86% Children in Unregulated Care

ECCS Strategic Planning

Early Care & Education
Great Start System Result: Families of young children have access to high quality early care & education.
Strategies:
- Increase stringency of licensing rules
- Define holistic standards of quality
- Collaborative personnel development
- Training requirement for non-regulated providers
- Quality Rating System
- Parent Education about Quality

ECCS Strategic Planning

Children’s Cabinet Request for Immediate Implementation:
- Create a state-level entity to provide the governance and oversight for the Great Start System
- Build the Great Start System community-by-community through state-local partnerships

ECCS Implementation

Early Childhood Investment Corporation (ECIC)
- Convene & mobilize leaders from all sectors
- Increase public & private investment
- Fund local Great Start Collaboratives
- Provide consultation & resources for early childhood system building
QRS Planning in Michigan

Statewide Workgroup

Systemic Change
- Increase the quality of child care
- Allow for higher child outcomes
- Increase access to quality care
- Bring together all child care quality initiatives and efforts within the state

Phases

Types of Quality

Structural Quality

Process Quality

The Rating System

Two Parallel Tracks

Voluntary Participation

Five Tiers Of Quality
- Tiers 1-3 (Phase 1) based on structural quality indicators – 30 points
- Tiers 4-5 (Phase 2) based on process quality indicators – 20 points

Implementation

Phase 1
Phase 2
Monitoring and Technical Assistance
Incentives

Infrastructure Supports and Needs

Resources
Licensing Consultants
Professional Development System
Registry
Marketing and Consumer Education
Next Steps

- Professional Development Workgroup Recommendations
- QRS Incentive Strategies
- Consumer and Provider Focus Groups
- Marketing and Consumer Education Plan
- Identify a Process Quality Assessment
- Final Recommendations – Phase 2