

**New York State Early Intervention Coordinating Council
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2021
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action Items						
Welcome	<p>The following Executive Committee members participated in the meeting:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Heidi Bond</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Steve Held</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Linda Rennie</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Robin Stegman</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Elina Tsenter</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Marina Yoegel</td> </tr> </table> <p>The following Department staff were in attendance: Peter Baran, Michael Iorio, Kelli Lyndaker, Kenneth Moehringer, Katherine Reksc, Jessica Simmons, Dawn Smith, and Yan Wu.</p> <p>The following people were in attendance as guests: Paula Van Meter, PCG, Ciara Breslin, NYS Budget</p>	Heidi Bond	Steve Held	Linda Rennie	Robin Stegman	Elina Tsenter	Marina Yoegel	
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EICC Updates	<p>Katie Reksc performed roll call and then Peter Baran opened the meeting at 10:06 am. Peter Baran stated that today's Executive Committee meeting is convened to discuss the agenda for the December 14, 2021 Early Intervention Coordinating Council (EICC) meeting.</p> <p>Approval of Meeting Minutes: The September 15, 2021 meeting minutes will be reviewed at the December 14, 2021 meeting. If there is a quorum, a vote can be taken on the minutes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A motion will be made at the December 14, 2021 EICC meeting to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2021 meeting 						
Task Force Updates	<p><u>EICC Task Force on Provider Workforce Capacity including Competency- Based Training and Telehealth Update:</u> Peter Baran stated that an update on the progress of the Task Force will be provided at the December meeting.</p> <p><u>EICC Task Force on Rate Setting Methodology:</u> There was discussion about whether to put this Task Force on the December agenda. It is a new task force that is supposed to start its work once the Social-Emotional Work Group has submitted their final document and completed their work, which was expected in July, but has not yet been received. The EICC members had been contacted about volunteering for this new task force and subsequently a couple of general meetings were conducted. It was decided that the Task Force will present at the December meeting, which would include announcing its members, charter, and goals. Ken Moehringer will also provide background information previously delivered to the EICC to the task force.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Provider Workforce Capacity Task Force update will be provided at the December meeting • The new Task Force will present at the December meeting. 						
Program Updates	<p><u>Bureau of Early Intervention Administrative Updates:</u> An update on Bureau activities will be provided.</p> <p>Topics will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 Guidance Updates/COVID-19 vaccination requirements/non-requirements for EI Providers <p>Steve Held requested an update about the changes in the Department and EI Leadership, and the Department being represented at Alliance meetings, which represents a lot of EI Providers. Peter Baran will relay the request to Department Leadership.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update on Bureau activities will be provided at the December meeting • Peter Baran will ask DOH Leadership about being able to provide an update about changes in the Department and EI Leadership at the December meeting 						
	<p><u>Annual Performance Report (APR) and State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP):</u> Yan Wu will present on the Annual Performance Report and State Systemic Improvement Plan.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yan Wu will present on the Annual Performance Report and State Systemic Improvement Plan at the December meeting 						
	<p><u>EI Hub Update:</u> An update on the Support for Operational Management of the EIP (SOM)/RFP Implementation will be provided at the December meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update on the EI Hub will be provided at the December meeting 						
	<p><u>Updated Fiscal Agent Data:</u> An update on Fiscal Agent Data will be provided at the December meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update on Fiscal Agent Data will be provided at the December meeting 						

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Additional Updates/ Discussion Items	<p><u>PCG Update:</u> PCG will provide an update on their efforts and progress at the December meeting, including their day-to-day progress and work on the EI Hub.</p> <p><u>Discussion Items:</u> Linda Rennie inquired if the Committee wanted to include an update from the Social-Emotional Work Group. Katie Reksc announced that the last update from the Work Group was that the members had completed their work and were going to disband. The last task they needed to complete was to submit the final desk aid; therefore, no further update is needed at this time.</p> <p>Linda Rennie informed Committee members that she will be retiring in December, so that the December EICC meeting will be her last one. She thanked everyone for the opportunity to have worked with them, noting how easy it has been to work and communicate with Katie Reksc in BEI. Linda Rennie expressed her feelings about how important the work is being done in EI and how she feels confident in the direction things are moving. Peter Baran and Katie Reksc thanked Linda Rennie for her work on the EICC and congratulated her on her retirement. Steve Held echoed the sentiment and added that Linda Rennie will be missed as an advocate for EI not only on the EICC but also in Nassau County.</p> <p>The Executive Committee agreed with the proposed EICC agenda for the December 14, 2021 meeting.</p> <p>Katie Reksc informed Committee members that the December meeting will be virtual.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A PCG progress update will be provided at the December meeting
Agenda Items for June 16, 2021 EICC Meeting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of the September 15, 2021 full council meeting minutes 2. Provider Workforce Capacity Task Force Update 3. Rate Setting Methodology Task Force Update 4. Bureau of Early Intervention Administrative Update 5. Early Intervention Program Annual Performance Report (APR) and State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP) 6. Support for Operational Management of the EIP (SOM)/RFP Implementation (EI Hub) 7. Updated Fiscal Agent Payment Data 8. PCG (State Fiscal Agent) Update 	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 AM.	