

**New York State Early Intervention Coordinating Council
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2023
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: 40px;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Heidi Bond</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Steve Held</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Leah Esther Lax</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Robin Stegman</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Marina Yoegel</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Lidiya Lednyak</td> </tr> </table> <p>The following Department staff were in attendance: Zahra Alaali, Peter Baran, Diane Ginsburg, William Sacks, Jennifer Sandshaw, Kirsten Siegenthaler, and Dawn Smith.</p> <p>The following people were in attendance as guests: Rob Lillpopp, Public Consulting Group (PCG); Ciara Breslin, NYS Budget; Kayla Bogdanowicz, New York State Speech-Language Hearing Association (NYSSLHA); Debra Thomas, Tompkins County EIO/EIM; Barbara Pellegrino, Oneida County EIO; Ianthe Warner, Cortland County EIM; Katherine Douglas, NYS Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS); Valerie Kurtz, Putnam County EIM</p>	Heidi Bond	Steve Held	Leah Esther Lax	Robin Stegman	Marina Yoegel	Lidiya Lednyak	
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EICC Updates	<p>Dawn Smith opened the meeting at 10:03 a.m. Peter Baran stated that today's Executive Committee meeting is convened to discuss the agenda for the March 9, 2023, Early Intervention Coordinating Council (EICC) meeting.</p> <p><u>Approval of Meeting Minutes:</u> The December 15, 2022, meeting minutes will be reviewed at the March 9, 2023, meeting. If there is a quorum, a vote can be taken on the minutes.</p> <p><u>EICC Member Updates:</u> EICC Member Updates will be provided at the March meeting.</p> <p><u>EICC Vice-Chair Nominations:</u> The Vice-Chair nominations occur every year at the EICC March meeting with the election in June. All members who receive a nomination will be contacted by the Department to determine their interest in accepting the nomination. The names of those who accept the nomination will be on the election ballot at the June meeting.</p> <p><u>EICC Bylaws Review:</u> The EICC Bylaws will be reviewed at the March meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A motion will be made at the March 9, 2023, EICC meeting to approve the minutes from the December 15, 2022, meeting • EICC Member Updates will be provided at the March meeting • Nominations for the EICC Vice-Chair will occur at the March meeting • The EICC Bylaws will be reviewed at the March 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 March meeting.</p> <p><u>EICC Task Force on Rate Setting Methodology:</u> Peter Baran stated that an update on the progress of the Task Force will be provided at the March meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Provider Workforce Capacity Task Force update will be provided at the March meeting • A Rate Setting Methodology Task Force update will be provided at the March meeting 						
Program Updates	<p><u>Bureau Administrative Updates</u> An update on Bureau activities will be provided at the March meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update on Bureau activities will be provided at the March meeting 						
	<p><u>Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Update:</u> An update on Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) will be provided at the March meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update on Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) will be provided at the March meeting 						

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	<p><u>Fiscal Agent Payment Data Update:</u> An update on Fiscal Agent Payment Data will be provided at the March meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update on Fiscal Agent Payment Data will be provided at the March meeting
	<p><u>PCG (State Fiscal Agent) Update:</u> PCG will provide an update on their efforts and progress at the March meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A PCG progress update will be provided at the March meeting
<p>Additional Updates/ Discussion Items</p>	<p>Additional Discussion: Steve Held requested updates on the following topics at the March meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covered Lives • OMIG Audit – specifically clarification regarding the session note document and the service log document requirements from the Department • EI proposed regulations <p>According to Steve Held, the Office of the Professions may be coming out with an abbreviated licensure for LCSWs that would no longer require them to take the test. He wanted to make sure that that would be permitted in the Early Intervention Program (EIP) for any of the services that children need. The Department has not yet been informed about that potential change and will research it. Steve Held will provide the Department with more information.</p> <p>Lidiya Lednyak asked for an update on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation • Transportation Study • Updated rates <p>Peter Baran said that the Department would hopefully have information about the Budget, which is due April 1st.</p> <p>The Executive Committee agreed with the proposed agenda for the March 9, 2023, meeting.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 am.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BEI will provide updates on Covered Lives, the OMIG Audit, and the EI proposed regulations at the March meeting. • BEI will research the abbreviated licensure for LCSWs • BEI will provide updates on Transportation, the Transportation Study, and the movement towards the Updated Rates at the March meeting • BEI will provide an update on the Budget if possible
<p>Agenda Items for March 9, 2023, EICC Meeting</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of December 15, 2022, full council meeting minutes 2. EICC Member Updates 3. EICC Vice-Chair Nominations 4. EICC Bylaws Review 5. Provider Workforce Capacity Task Force Update 6. Rate Setting Methodology Task Force Update 7. Bureau Administrative Updates 8. Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Update 9. EI-Hub Update 10. Fiscal Agent Payment Data Update 11. PCG (State Fiscal Agent) Update 12. Public Comment 	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.</p>	