



STRONGER TOGETHER

Informing Advocacy for Children Birth to Five



AGENDA

Monday, November 9, 2009: 9:30 am – 3:30pm
828 I Street, Sacramento, CA

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.: Welcome, Introductions, Goals for Today
Kris Perry, First 5 California

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Presentation of Recommendations from Water Cooler Policy Work Groups, followed by question and answer, next steps

- Revenue, Taxation, Prop. 98, and Sequencing/Priorities
 - Ted Lempert, Children Now
 - Adonai Mack, Association of California School Administrators
- Critical Issues within the Existing System
 - Debby Armstrong, First 5, San Mateo
 - Nina Buthee, California Child Development Administrators Association
- Quality Rating and Improvement System
 - Meera Mani, The David and Lucille Packard Foundation
 - Giannina Perez, Children Now
 - Ginger Swigart, California Association for the Education of Young Children
- Access Gaps and Facilities
 - Sharon Scott Dow, Advancement Project
 - Nancy Strohl, Child Care Law Center

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.: Lunch

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12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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- Workforce Development and Certification
 - Toni Campbell, CSU San Jose
 - Sarah Neville-Morgan, First 5, California
 - Marcy Whitebook, Center for the Study of Child Care Employment
- Cultural and Linguistic Inclusion
 - Renatta Cooper, Los Angeles County Office of Child Care and Pasadena Unified School Board
- Family, Friend and Neighbor/License-Exempt Care
 - Domenica Benitez, California Resource & Referral Network
- Data
 - Sharon Scott Dow, Advancement Project
 - Giannina Perez, Children Now

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Federal and State Funding Opportunities, Legislation and Policy

- Race to the Top: Ted Lempert, Children Now
- Early Learning Challenge Fund: Catherine Atkin, Preschool California
- ELQIS: Roberta Peck, California Department of Education
- ECE State Legislation: Khydeejia Alam, Advancement Project

3:00 p.m.—3:15 p.m.

First 5 California Signature Program Development; March 9-10, 2010 Joint First 5 California/Water Cooler Conference

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.: Wrap-up

