



October 2020 State Advisory Council Agenda

Monday, October 26, 2020 | 1:00-3:00pm |

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Desired Outcomes:

- Highlight challenges to access, inclusion and how systemic racism and discrimination impact our ability to serve children and families.
- Share stories that demonstrate regional issues and concerns.
- Build a sense of collective action across regional and state early childhood leaders.
- Presentation of final documents for approval: 2020 Policy Recommendations, ECAP Update and Early Childhood Systems Needs Assessment report.

Time	Topic
12:45 – 1:00	Zoom meeting is opened for participants
1:00 – 1:05	Mindfulness for social justice awareness
1:05 – 1:15	Call for collective action on issues of inequity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chloe Learey, SAC co-chair • Dr. Morgan Crossman, Executive Director Building Bright Futures
1:15 – 1:45	Panel of Early Childhood Regional Council Representatives Regional early childhood representatives from different sectors across the state share their experience and observations of challenges to access, inclusion and how systemic racism and discrimination impact their ability to serve children and families. Panelists will also identify where there is inequitable access for particular populations. Panelists: Kheya Ganguly , Assistant Director Youth and Family Services at United Counseling Service, Bennington Laura Nugent , Senior Director of Student Support Services at the Burlington School District Samantha Stevens , Equity and Community Outreach Coordinator at North Country Supervisory Union
1:45 – 2:00	Remarks by Congressman Peter Welch

2:00 – 2:20	<p>Discussion in small groups using Zoom rooms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>What is a new awareness you have of systemic racism and discrimination that impact children and families?</i> ➤ <i>What is one action you can take to acknowledge and deconstruct systemic racism and discrimination in your program, organization or system?</i>
2:20 – 2:30	<p>Call to action by early childhood partners Regroup to reflect on actions BBF state and regional council leaders to deconstruct <i>systemic racism and discrimination that impact children and families.</i></p> <p>Closing Comments by Flor Diaz-Smith, SAC member</p>
2:30 – 3:00	<p>SAC Business The SAC is called on to formally accept three documents that have been produced to inform the early childhood system and improve the lives of children and families. The SAC has received updates and engaged in the creation of these documents.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vote for acceptance of September Minutes ● Vote for acceptance of SAC 2020 Policy Recommendations ● Vote for acceptance of VECAP Update 2020 ● Presentation of final Early Childhood Systems Needs Assessment Report
3:00	<p>Adjourn</p>