



October 2021 State Advisory Council Agenda
Monday, October 25th, 2021 | 1:30-3:00pm
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Desired Outcomes:

- State of Vermont’s Children Report: Spotlight - Understand the extent of the workforce crisis impacting children and families across sectors by exploring data, why it matters and what can be done.
- SAC vote and endorsement of the 2021 Policy Recommendations
- Learn about work in support of Goal 4 of the VECAP to develop an early childhood budget
- Build alignment and collaboration across Regional Councils, State Advisory Council and Vermont Early Childhood Action Plan committees.

Advance Materials

- September 27 SAC Meeting Minutes
- [SAC 2021-2022 Policy Recommendations - Final](#)
- [Vermont Early Childhood Action Plan](#)

Time	Topic
1:30 – 1:40	<p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Remembering the life of Mariah McGill on the one year anniversary of her death
1:40 - 2:00	<p>General Council Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introductions & SAC Roll Call ● Vote for approval of the September 2021 SAC Minutes ● Vote for the endorsement of the 2021-2022 Policy Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Respond to Vermont’s mental health crisis</i> ○ <i>Address chronic inequities in Vermont’s early childhood system</i> ○ <i>Elevate families as decision makers</i> ○ <i>Develop a well-resourced early care and education system</i> ○ <i>Evolve the early childhood data system and infrastructure</i>
2:00 - 2:15	<p>VECAP Spotlight on Goal 4: The Early Childhood will be integrated, well resourced and data-informed</p> <p>One of the activities outlined in Goal 4 of the VECAP is to develop an Early Childhood Budget (Objective 4.3, p31). BBF partners are embarking on a process to develop an early childhood budget that identifies all financial sources dedicated to children and their families to monitor, align and leverage financial resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Explore steps to build an Early Childhood Budget and its role as part of the HRSA <i>Building Integration in Vermont’s P-3 Early Childhood and Maternal Child Systems</i> grant (VIP-3) awarded to the Vermont Department of Health.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore efforts to track Americans Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) resources coming into the state through a funding inventory. • The role of the Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Team (ECICT) to facilitate planning among agency partners.
2:15 – 3:00	<p>The State of Vermont’s Children - Spotlight on Workforce Crisis</p> <p>Workforce is a major concern across the early childhood system impacting how children and families are served. Get a preview of data that will be included in this year’s State of Vermont’s Children report. Explore why it matters and what can be done with guests from the Vermont Women’s Commission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data review of childcare and mental health workforce capacity • Explore why it matters and what can be done through stories and a review of policy and advocacy with guests from the Commission on Women • Discussion & Reflections by SAC members
3:00	Adjourn