



Michigan

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ECCS Strategic Planning

- Deliberate Collaborative Approach**
 - Leadership Team
 - Early Childhood Core Team
 - Virtual Table (www.greatstartforkids.org)
 - Component Workgroups



ECCS Strategic Planning

A Few Facts:

- 673,000 Children, Birth – 5
- 61% Children under 6, with all Parents in Workforce
- 18,000 Licensed Child Care & Early Education Providers – serving 352,000 Children & Families
- 6% Providers that are Accredited
- 60 State Child Care Licensing Consultants
- 66% Children in Unregulated Care



ECCS Strategic Planning

- Early Care & Education**
Great Start System Result: Families of young children have access to high quality early care & education.
- Strategies:
 - Increase stringency of licensing rules
 - Define holistic standards of quality
 - Collaborative personnel development
 - Training requirement for non-regulated providers
 - Quality Rating System
 - Parent Education about Quality



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Children's Cabinet Request for Immediate Implementation:

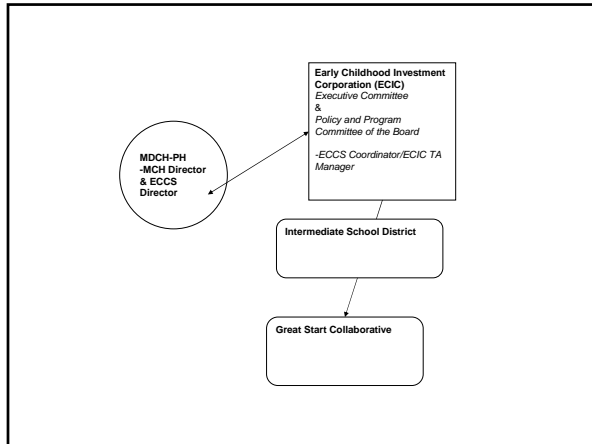
- Create a state-level entity to provide the governance and oversight for the *Great Start* System
- Build the *Great Start* System community-by-community through state-local partnerships



ECCS Implementation


- Early Childhood Investment Corporation (ECIC)**
 - Convene & mobilize leaders from all sectors
 - Increase public & private investment
 - Fund local Great Start Collaboratives
 - Provide consultation & resources for early childhood system building





QRS Planning in Michigan

- ✔ Statewide Workgroup
- ✔ Systemic Change
 - Increase the quality of child care
 - Allow for higher child outcomes
 - Increase access to quality care
 - Bring together all child care quality initiatives and efforts within the state
- ✔ Phases




Types of Quality

- ✔ Structural Quality
- ✔ Process Quality




The Rating System

- ✔ Two Parallel Tracks
- ✔ Voluntary Participation
- ✔ Five Tiers Of Quality
 - Tiers 1-3 (Phase 1) based on structural quality indicators – 30 points
 - Tiers 4-5 (Phase 2) based on process quality indicators – 20 points



Implementation

- ✔ Phase 1
- ✔ Phase 2
- ✔ Monitoring and Technical Assistance
- ✔ Incentives









Infrastructure Supports and Needs

- ✔ Resources
- ✔ Licensing Consultants
- ✔ Professional Development System
- ✔ Registry
- ✔ Marketing and Consumer Education



Next Steps



-  Professional Development Workgroup Recommendations
-  QRS Incentive Strategies
-  Consumer and Provider Focus Groups
-  Marketing and Consumer Education Plan
-  Identify a Process Quality Assessment
-  Final Recommendations – Phase 2