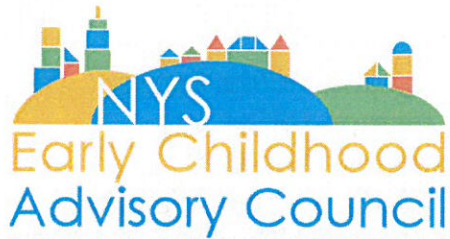


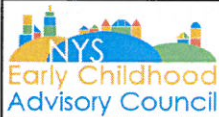
New York State's Early Childhood Advisory Council: A Conversation About System Building



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History of the ECAC

- HHS Head Start Reauthorization Act 2007
- November 2016 codified into New York State law
- Ongoing support from the Governor's Office



Vision and Mission

- **VISION** All young children are healthy, learning, and thriving in families that are supported by a full complement of services and resources essential for successful development.
- **MISSION** The ECAC provides strategic direction and advice to the State of New York on early childhood issues. By monitoring and guiding the implementation of a range of strategies, the ECAC supports New York in building a comprehensive and sustainable early childhood system that will ensure success for all young children.



Strategic Plan

Focus Areas

Strong Families

Healthy Children

Early Learning

Coordinated and Responsive
Systems



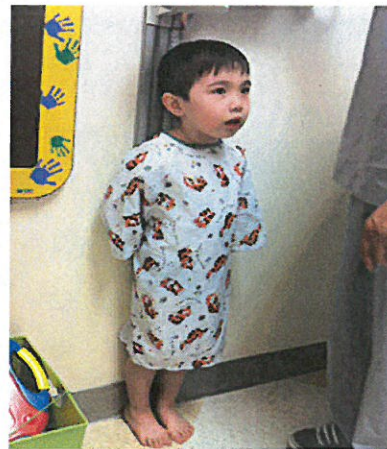
accomplishments

- **QUALITYstarsNY** 600+ early childhood sites are now participating! The most recent allocation in the '17-'18 budget will allow for very limited expansion.
- **New York Works for Children** Aspire has more than 27,000 participants and is growing every day.
- **Producing and disseminating key early learning documents:**
 - *Early Learning Guidelines*
 - *Core Body of Knowledge*
 - 7 Developmentally Appropriate Briefs Prek-3rd Grade
 - New York Early Childhood Career Ladder
 - New York Cost Model and Braiding and Blending guides



Work in Progress

- Initiated the Developmental Screening Campaign
- Launched the Pyramid Model in New York State
- Working to align the state's data systems
- Practical applications for the Finance Model
- Dissemination of New Parent Kit
- Expanding QUALITYstarsNY
- Strengthening *New York Works for Children*





Work on the Horizon

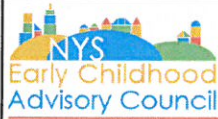
- Racial equity in early childhood
- Pyramid Model implementation across the state
- Integrate a focus on young children experiencing homelessness
- Increase the family's voice in decision making
- Expand QUALITYstarsNY
- Support a strong Early Childhood Workforce
- Align Pre-K funding and services
- Increase public and private investments in early childhood



Questions for the Audience



- What good news can you share about your early childhood work?
- What is going on in your community that we should know about?
- If you had an audience with the Governor, what would you tell him?



Questions for the Co-chairs



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