

# Early Childhood Recommendations Panel







### WELCOME

**Thank you** for serving Kansas children, their families, and our state's early childhood care and education professionals!

- This is a remote meeting.
- Today's meeting materials are posted on the <u>Panel Meetings</u> webpage on the Children's Cabinet site.
- Panel members will clearly identify themselves when they begin speaking.
- Panel members can use the "raise hand" feature to show they are ready to share.



### **TODAY'S AGENDA**

- Welcome, approval of agenda and May 21, 2021 meeting minutes
- Kansans' Open Forum
- Follow-up from previous meetings:

o #<u>KSBeatsTheVirus</u> 2021

• Strategies for Engaging Providers

• Federal Child Care Relief Funding



### **TODAY'S AGENDA**

- 1-800-CHILDREN
- Wichita State University Community Engagement Institute
- 10-minute break at 10:20 a.m.
- Maximizing federal relief dollars to support early childhood in Kansas
- Reflections on the Kansas Early Childhood Recommendations Panel's first year of work
- Future agenda items / Bright Spots / Upcoming Meetings
- Adjourn



### **ACTION ITEMS**

Panel members - please clearly identify yourself when you begin speaking to make and second a motion.

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of May 21, 2021 meeting minutes



### **KANSANS' OPEN FORUM**

Kansans may email Debbie Deere (<u>ddeere@ksde.org</u>) by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 17, to share written comments or to sign up to share verbal comments with the Panel during this portion of the meeting.





# FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

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- Strategies for Engaging Providers workgroup
- Federal Child Care Relief Funding





1-800-CHILDREN Input / Planning Session PAM NOBLE / KAITLYN MOORE

# Judgment-free Parenting Support



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#### 1-800-CHILDREN Call Line & Resource Directory



# **Quick Reference Guide for Providers**



An easily accessible, reliable, and organized system of community resources ensures that Kansas families and communities are connected to the information, services, and supports they need, when they need them. The 1-800-CHILDREN Resource Directory and Call Line provides 24-hour, confidential, free information, support, and connection to local resources across the state. Every program added to the 1-800-CHILDREN Resource Directory is reviewed, updated, and verified, at minimum, every 6 months.

To ensure a robust and reliable resource directory we need your help. Step-bystep directions are outlined in the following pages to assist you in updating, adding, and/or claiming your program in the statewide 1-800-CHILDREN Resource Directory.



Visit 1800CHILDRENKS.org to find resources near you.

Download the mobile app by searching 1800CHILDRENKS in your app store.

Call 1-800-CHILDREN (or 1-800-332-6378) to connect with a real person.



Text or email 1800CHILDREN@kcsl.org.



1-800-CHILDREN is available 24/7 to connect you with resources and supports.

### **Include a Search Bar directly on Your Website!**

Enter your zip code	SEARCH
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# **Include a Hyperlinked Graphic in Your Email or Website**



HELPLINE AND RESOURCE DIRECTORY

### Marketing Campaign Updates

- 12 Month Campaign
- On-line display
   Advertisements,
   Streaming TV, Spotify, and
   Facebook.
- Will target varying users within the State of Kansas using a variety of demographics



# WE ARE IN YOUR CORNER

1-800-Children provides 24/7 judgment-free parenting support



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# Physical Marketing Materials

- Pens
- Magnets
- Hand Sanitizer
   Spray
- Sticky notepads
- Stickers
- Window Clings



# **Onesie Campaign – Saline County**

#### **Partners**

- Saline County Health Dept.
- Heartland Early Education
- Child Care Award
- Ashby House
- Salina Emergency Aid/Food Bank
- Salina Regional Health Center
- CAPS
- Area 25 Kansas (AA groups)

- Salina Regional He Center: Infant-Chil Development
- Oxford House
- Catholic Charities Pregnancy Support Program
- DVACK
- Saline Family YMC
- Salina Public Librai
- Salina Salvation Army
- Salina Women's Clinic
- Salina Childcare Association



# Family Outreach

#### Why is there spit-up everywhere?

What's this thing called balance I hear other dads talking about?

How do I help my kid deal with the world's meanest third grader?

How much tummy time is too much tummy time?

Where can I find more parent friends?

Is screen time bad for my kid? How about for me?

Should he be potty trained by now?

#### HOW THE HECK DO YOU GET YOUR BABY TO SLEEP THROUGH THE NIGHT?!

What is cradle cap and what makes it go away?

Will my teenager ever think I'm cool again?

Is green poop normal? OK, what about yellow poop?

1-800-CHILDREN

**Supporting Parents** 

#### When it comes to raising your child, no question is off limits.

Get judgment-free parenting support 24/7 in English and Spanish as well as multiple other languages.





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Text or email 1800CHILDREN@kcsl.org.



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- Outreach cards and materials
- Parent Focus Groups at Parent Leadership Conference



# **Outreach Efforts**

#### Connecting with School Districts and Early Learning Programs

**Additional Recommendations** 

### **BRIGHT SPOT**

A county health professional stated "It [1-800-CHILDREN] really is neat- I received some educational materials to place in my exam rooms and before doing so I thought I'd test it out. They are responsive both via text and email- and it's a real person – not an automated reply. It provided great educational information on my concerns and feedback as you would reply, along with positive reassurance. Hopefully, this will aid in reaching some parents who may be shy about reaching out for help or assistance, giving them the opportunity to speak with someone 24/7 via multiple ways".



### **BRIGHT SPOT**

A mom of a newborn called 1-800-CHILDREN crying because she was feeling overwhelmed, healing from a c-section and supporting her 4-year-old doing remote school due to COVID. She stated she needed help with the 4-year-old. Call line staff were able to connect her with the Crisis Nursery program. The case manager was able to secure child care for the following Monday. When call line staff followed up with mom, she expressed feeling relieved.



# **Contact Us!**

# 1-800-CHILDREN Supporting Parents

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Wichita State University Community Engagement Institute ANNE MAACK / PATRICIA HOUSTON / TANYA BULLUCK



# Family Friendly Workplaces

June 18, 2021 Early Childhood Recommendations Panel





# Early Childhood Strategic Plan Private Sector Collaboration

Goal 4





Promote family-friendly workplaces throughout the public and private sectors

Private Sector Collaboration

# KS Child Maltreatment Prevention Plan



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## Kansas Power of the Positive

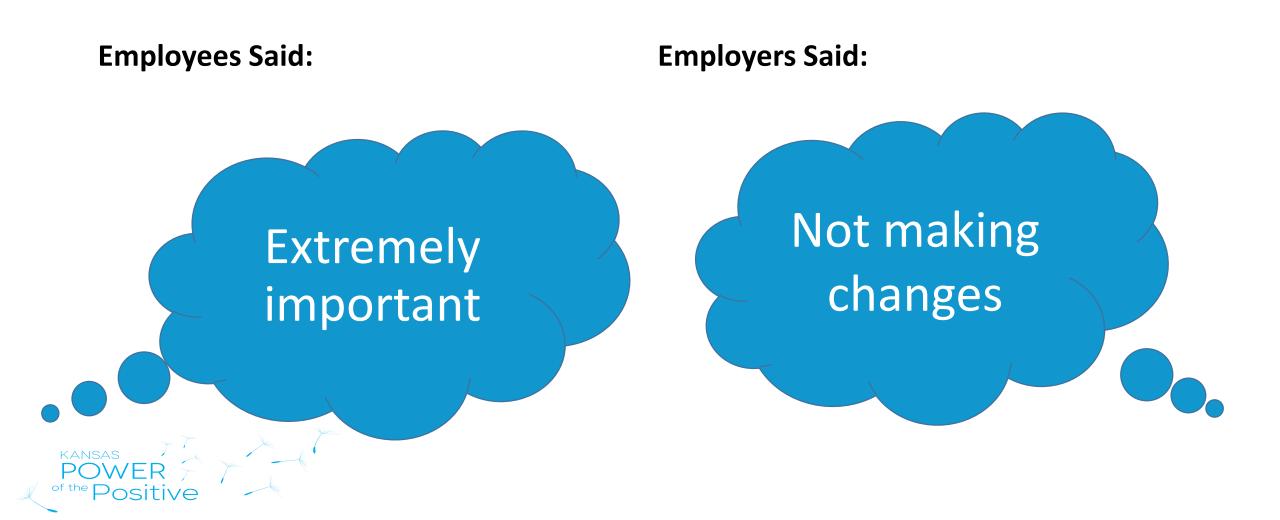


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# Family Friendly Workplace



# Subsidized Child Care Costs



# Workplace supports for child care affordability

- The Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account
- Child Day Care Assistance Tax Credit



# Upcoming Discussion Questions

- Who do you envision delivering these materials to employers?
- Given this list of potential messengers, how could materials be adapted to be more useful?







### The Kansas Early Childhood Recommendations Panel will return following a ten minute break.



# All In For Kansas Kids

Maximizing federal relief dollars to support early childhood in Kansas MELISSA ROOKER, CHILDREN'S CABINET



### **RELIEF FUNDING OVERVIEW (AFTER 12/30/2020)**

- Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Act known as CRRSA
- American Rescue Plan Act State Discretionary Funds known as State ARPA
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## **Federal Relief Picture**



### **2<sup>ND</sup> SPARK TASK FORCE – STATE ARPA FUNDS**

- Strengthening People and Revitalizing Kansans Executive Committee announced on June 4, 2021.
- COVID-19 recovery + build a better, more inclusive and resilient economy for future generations
- Oversee statewide distribution of American Rescue Plan Act State Funds (ARPA).
- Executive committee makes recommendations to the State Finance Council, which makes the final determination.





### A POST-COVID KANSAS PLAN GUIDED BY ALL IN FOR KANSAS KIDS

- Investing in early childhood makes good sense for Kansas
- Relief and recovery supports, coupled with strategic infrastructure investments, can lead to economic vitality and community well-being
- Build on Needs Assessment, All in for Kansas Kids Strategic Plan, and continuous feedback from stakeholders through PDG-R and Strategic Plan implementation.
- Ensure a framework for accelerated investments and lasting Impact

Positioning Early Childhood in Kansas



## **COMMUNITY AND PROVIDER INSIGHTS**

- What local systems or processes are in place to help families navigate early childhood services in your community?
  - What works well?
  - What could be improved?
- What barriers exist for increasing quality child care in your community?
  - What have you done to overcome these barriers?
  - What supports (training, connections, etc.) would you need to meet the need?
  - What resources (staffing, funding, etc.) would you need to meet the need?

## Additional Feedback





# THANK YOU!

WANT TO SHARE MORE? EMAIL: <u>SGARDNER10@KU.EDU</u>





Reflections on the Recommendations Panel's first year

### **REFLECTIONS – THANK YOU!**

- Thank you to each of the Panel members for their dedication to achieving the vision laid out in the All In For Kansas Kids strategic plan in our first year of work!
- Welcome to the 2021-22 members appointed by the Children's Cabinet on June 4.



### **REFLECTIONS – COLLABORATION SURVEYS**

Panel members completed pre- and post-surveys to evaluate collaboration. We learned:

- Overall shift from Networking to Coordination.
- Members perceived a strong collaborative environment history of collaboration, recognized leadership, and a favorable climate for the work.
- Communication was the greatest area of growth.



### UPCOMING MEETINGS AND BRIGHT SPOTS

### Requests for future agenda items

### Bright Spots – Panel members are invited to share

Upcoming Meetings (all via Zoom):

- Early Childhood Recommendations Panel: Friday, July 16 9:00-11:30 a.m. (Third Fridays of the month, 9:00-11:30 a.m.)
- Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund meeting Friday, August 6 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

 Early Childhood Stakeholders Group meeting – Friday, August 6 – 1:30-3:00 p.m.





# Adjournment