



Birth-To-Five Preschool Development Grant Meeting Making The Most Of It!

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October 9, 2018

 **12:00 pm**

Registration Begins for B-5 Preschool Development Grant Meeting

Location: Salon A-1 (lower level)

 **2:00 pm**

Opening Session – Welcoming Remarks

Location: Salon A-1 (lower level)

Speakers: Phyllis Glink, *Irving Harris Foundation*
Cynthia Tate, *IL Governor’s Office of Early Childhood Development*

 **2:15 pm**

The Birth to Five Preschool Development Grant: Making the Most of It!

Moderated panel offering diverse perspectives on the significance of the grant for states, families and for infants, toddlers, and preschool age children – especially those who are furthest from opportunity now.

Speakers: David Willis, *Perigee Fund*
Kylah Washington, *Great Start Collaborative Wayne County*
Cristina Pacione-Zayas, *Erikson Institute*
Cynthia Tate, *IL Governor’s Office of Early Childhood Development*

 **3:15 pm**

Application Nuts and Bolts

Interactive opportunity to engage with a framework and approach which states can use to plan for next steps in their early childhood system building and prepare an application which will meet the requirements of the grant. The session will be helpful for everyone, whether your state has just begun to draft its proposal or already have a first draft.

Speakers: Jeff Capizzano, *Policy Equity Group*
Harriet Dichter, *BUILD Consultant*
Reyna Hernandez, *Natl. Association for Family, School and Community Engagement*
Tracy Zimmerman, *North Carolina Early Childhood Foundation*



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4:30 pm

State Team Time

Team members can review with resource person: 1) What they have done so far; 2) What they would like to gain from the meeting; and 3) Three burning questions they have. Teams will be provided with resources that might help inform an application that will build on current early childhood systems strengths and systemically address existing gaps, weaknesses, and disparities.

Location: States with larger teams have access to breakout rooms; other teams will remain in Salon A-1:

Connecticut	5G (Fifth Floor)
Georgia	5C (Fifth Floor)
Illinois	4Q (Fourth Floor)
Iowa	5B (Fifth Floor)
Michigan	5A (Fifth Floor)
Nevada	4R (Fourth Floor)
Texas	5F (Fifth Floor)



5:45 pm

Break



6:00 pm

Networking Reception: Cash Bar

Location: Williford C, 3rd Floor



6:45 pm

Working Dinner: Town Hall

A peer learning opportunity for state teams and partners to give voice to local and state-level successes, lessons learned, challenges, and opportunities each has experienced in realizing the promise of a cross-sector early childhood system.

Moderators: Karen Ponder, *BUILD Initiative*

Bryan Stokes II, *Illinois Action for Children*



8:15 pm

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8:15 am

Breakfast

Opportunity for state teams to meet and develop questions for the concurrent TA sessions they will attend

Location: Salon A-2 (lower level)



8:30 am

Day 2 Opening Session - Recap Day 1 & Share Team Questions

Location: Salon A-1 (lower level)

Speaker: Danielle Ewen, *Education Counsel*



9:00 am

Concurrent Technical Assistance Sessions – Three opportunities for state teams to reflect and work on key components of their PDG B-5 proposals with other state teams and expert consultants.

Statewide 0-5 Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan. This session will focus on how to leverage other existing state needs assessments and strategic plans; strategies for identifying and capitalizing on opportunities for system partnership, improvement, and collaboration; and building stakeholder and

partner engagement, including the mapping of relationships and strategies for working together.

Location: Salon A-1 (lower level)

Speakers: Harriet Dichter, *BUILD Consultant*
Jeff Capizzano, *Policy Equity Group*

Maximizing Parent Voice and Knowledge of the Mixed Delivery System: Meaningful Communication & Partnership Building.

This session will focus on how states can live out their commitments to parents/families including identifying promising strategies for meaningful communication, engagement and partnership with families. Session contributors will prioritize parent/family perspective, inclusive of various populations of families.

Location: Room 5H (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Scarlett Boudier and Lori McClung, *Advocacy and Communications Solutions*
Camarrah Morgan, *Hope Starts Here, The Max M. & Marjorie Fisher Foundation*
Anna Lovejoy, *Center for the Study of Social Policy*

Data Systems. This session will focus on how states might use the opportunity presented by this grant to improve their capacity to collect, analyze, and use cross-sector data to understand the landscape and impact of their ECE mixed delivery system, implement changes which maximize the availability of high-quality ECE options for low-income families, improve program quality, and more efficiently use federal, state, and local resources.

Location: Room 4Q (Fourth Floor)

Speakers: Elliot Regenstein, *Foresight Law + Policy*
Dale Epstein, *Child Trends/ECDC*
Tonya Hall-Coston, *NJ Department of Education*

Elevating a Logic Model and Evaluation plan: The Basics. Designed for those new to logic-model development, this session will provide teams with consultation in the development of a logic model which can serve as roadmap to a state's goals or expected outcomes. State teams will consider the technical and adaptive aspects of logic-model development. Teams will have the opportunity to begin to develop logic models that frame the required elements in the proposal including proposed activities, expected outcomes, goals and the overall vision. indicators of success. In turn, participants will consider how the logic model aligns with program performance plan and how it can be used to frame the overall evaluation.

Location: Room 4R (Fourth Floor)

Speakers: Diane Schilder, *EDC*
Jen Brooks, *Jennifer Brooks, LLC*
Eboni Howard, *American Institutes for Research*
Jim Lesko, *AEM*

Maximizing the PDG B-5 Opportunity for Infants and Toddlers. This session will focus on how states might best capitalize on the PDG to support the healthy development of all infants, toddlers, and their families through authentic family and stakeholder engagement, cross-sector system alignment and coordination, and building a highly qualified and well compensated workforce.

Location: Room 5A (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Barbara Gebhard, *ZERO TO THREE*
Karen Yarbrough, *Consultant*

Improving Overall Quality of ECE Programs, Starting at Birth – Building Program Quality. This session will focus on how states might best leverage the PDG to improve the overall quality of existing home and center-based ECE models and programs serving infants, toddlers, preschool-age children, and their families.

Location: Room 5B (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Jeanna Capito, *BUILD Consultant*
Debi Mathias, *BUILD Initiative*
Mayra Acevedo, *The Partnership for Community Action*

Supporting Vulnerable Populations through a Cross System Approach. This sessions is structured as a consultancy. Bring your ideas and questions about how your birth to five system might use cross system strategies to address the needs of vulnerable populations of children and families. We can talk about: children with special needs, children experiencing homelessness, children involved in the child welfare system, the impact of trauma, and the role of infant early childhood mental health consultation.

Location: Room 5F (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Karen Berman, *Ounce of Prevention*
Carie Bires, *Ounce of Prevention*
Jamie Colvard, *ZERO TO THREE*
Mary Beth Testa, *Consultant*

Systems Alignment and Integration through the Lens of Financing. This session will focus on addressing the PDG B-5 goal of more efficiently using resources to increase access to high-quality services for all children and families. The session will offer: an opportunity to discuss innovations and aspirations in financing, including what cost and fiscal data might be collected in the needs assessment; planning for the cost of high-quality services; how the strategic plan can result in recommendations to better use existing resources; and opportunities to illuminate best practices, barriers, and solutions

to adequate, stable and equitable financing in your state's early childhood state system.

Location: Room 5C (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Lori Connors-Tadros, *NIEER*
Karin Garver, *NIEER*
Theresa Hawley, *Illinois Action for Children*
Christine Johnson-Staub, *CLASP*

Assuring Quality Diverse Delivery in Rural Communities. This session will focus on how states might address the challenges of assuring quality diverse delivery in rural communities. Topics will include coordinating with Tribes, identifying child care deserts, building family child care networks, engaging with family, friend, and neighbor caregivers, and programs serving infants and toddlers. Considerations for providing quality early learning experiences in non-traditional settings, examples of successful programs, including those delivered by and with tribal organizations, will be highlighted.

Location: Room 5D (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Judy Reidt-Parker, *Ounce of Prevention Fund*
Osvaldo Alvarado, *Community Action Partnership of SLO County*
Laurie Hand, *Community Development Institute*



10:30 am

Break



10:45 am

Concurrent Technical Assistance Sessions (Round 2 – teams rotate)

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Location: Salon A-1 (lower level)

Speakers: Harriet Dichter, *BUILD Consultant*
Jeff Capizzano, *Policy Equity Group*

Maximizing Parent Choice and Knowledge of the Mixed Delivery System: Increasing Family Choice and Empowerment. This world-café style session will focus on how states can live out their commitments to parents/families including identifying promising strategies for creating choice within a mixed delivery system - especially within targeted programs - and to empower families to recognize and seek out quality ECE options for their infants, toddlers, and preschoolers.

Location: Room 5H (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Mary Beth Testa, *Consultant*
Contributors: Nasha Patel, *LA*
Sue Parrish, *OR*
Bobbie Burnham, *MN*
Noel Kelty, *MI*

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Location: Room 4Q (Fourth Floor)

Speakers: Elliot Regenstein, *Foresight Law + Policy*
Dale Epstein, *Child Trends/ECDC*
Tracy Zimmerman, *North Carolina Early Childhood Foundation*

Elevating A Logic Model and Evaluation Plan: Advanced. For teams that have developed logic models for previous grant projects or for their overall early childhood system, this session will provide consultation to teams about how to ensure the PDG logic model aligns with existing state priorities and initiatives. Teams will outline the elements of a logic model (including proposed activities, expected outcomes, goals, and the overall vision). In addition, stakeholders will develop a plan to ensure the model reflects stakeholder priorities. The session will also review how the proposed logic model aligns with the program performance plan and how it can be used to frame the overall evaluation.

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Karin Garver, *NIEER*
Theresa Hawley, *Illinois Action for Children*
Christine Johnson-Staub, *CLASP*

Improving Overall Quality of ECE Programs, Starting at Birth - Professional Development/ Workforce Capacity. This session will focus on how states might best leverage the PDG to improve the overall quality of existing ECE programs serving infants, toddlers, preschool-age children, and their families, through building workforce capacity building, professional development, and instructional leadership.

Location: Room 5B (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Jeanna Capito, *BUILD Consultant*
Rebecca Klein, *Ounce of Prevention Fund*
Lorena Mancilla, *WIDA*
Karen Berman, *Ounce of Prevention Fund*

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ECE and K-12 Transition. This session will focus on transitions, both to other ECE programs due to the age of the child, as well as to K-12. The session will cover effective strategies for improved referral, connections, and linkages between early learning and other B-5 early childhood services, with the aim to meet the whole needs of children and their families.

Location: Room 5D (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Danielle Ewen, *EducationCounsel*
Laura Bournfreund, *New America*
Osvaldo Alvarado, *Community Action Partnership of SLO County*





12:15 pm

Lunch Break: Pick up box lunches

Locations: Salon A-1 on the Lower Level, Room 4Q on the 4th Floor and Room 5A on the 5th Floor.



12:45 pm

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Speaker: Jeff Capizzano, *Policy Equity Group*

Planning with Families at the Forefront: Maximizing Parent Voice and Knowledge of the Mixed Delivery System. This session will focus on how states can live out their commitments to parents/families by planning with families at the forefront. Session contributors will highlight authentic, collaborative planning, including Design Thinking, and Co-Design approaches that are supported by effective coalitions and networks. Participants will engage in a coalition/network planning process.

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Dale Epstein, *Child Trends/ECDC*
Tracy Zimmerman, *North Carolina Early Childhood Foundation*

Developing a Logic Model and Evaluation Plan. This session is structured as a consultancy. Bring your ideas, questions and drafts of logic models or evaluation plans, and we will provide consultation.

Location: Room 4R (Fourth Floor)

Speakers: Diane Schilder, *EDC*
Jen Brooks, *Jennifer Brooks, LLC*

Improving Overall Quality of ECE Programs, Starting at Birth – Comprehensive Services and Linkages. This session will focus on how states might best leverage the PDG to improve the overall quality of existing ECE programs serving infants, toddlers, preschool-age children, and their families, using comprehensive and intentional cross-sector service linkages.

Location: Room 5B (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Jeanna Capito, *BUILD Consultant*
David Willis, *Perigee Fund*
Bryan Stokes, *Illinois Action for Children*

Building Local Capacity and Learning from Local Efforts.

This session will focus on how states can support and learn from local communities and community-based organizations with systematic technical assistance to increase collaboration, quality, and efficiency of ECE services.

Location: Room 5G (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Danielle Ewen, *Education Counsel*
Karen Ponder, *BUILD Initiative*
Tonja Rucker, *The National League of Cities*

Strategies to Address Match, Budget Requirements, and Sustainability Plan of the Grant. The PDG B-5 grant is an amazing opportunity for states to invest significant resources in systems building; however, grantees will need to think carefully about how to raise the match, allocate budget items, and efficiently manage this one-year grant through their state's system. States must also describe a plan for sustaining key activities of the grant once federal funds end. Bring your questions and draft budgets and we will come prepared with some examples of approaches to the budget, ideas to hit the ground running with RFPs/contracts, ways to think about the match, and how to structure a sustainability plan.

Location: Room 5C (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Lori Connors-Tadros, *NIEER*
Karin Garver, *NIEER*
Theresa Hawley, *Illinois Action for Children*

Making the most of this moment: Capitalizing on the Synergy of PDG B-5 and CCDBG. This session is structured as a consultancy. Bring your ideas and questions about how you are using—or thinking about using CCDBG—and how this directly shapes your planning for a birth to five system. We can talk about: Programmatic strategies and related policy choices to build quality in a mixed delivery system; Fiscal strategies to build quality in a mixed delivery system; Systemic structures needed to build, advance, maintain these programmatic and fiscal strategies.

Location: Room 5A (Fifth Floor)

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Emerging Innovations in System Coordination and Efficiency.

This open-space session will offer participants an opportunity to engage in peer-to-peer dialogue about how PDG might be leveraged to advance the reach of emerging system innovations, such as: unified enrollment determinations across programs types, creating single eligibility standards, and using contracts to bundle resources at the state level to save time for program administrators.

Location: Room 5F (Fifth Floor)

Speakers: Harriet Dichter, *BUILD Consultant*
Joan Blough, *Change by Design, LLC*





2:15 pm

Team Time: Next Steps

Team members can review with resource person: 1) What their immediate next steps are; 2) What additional supports, resources or consultation would be most helpful as a follow up to this meeting; and 3) Any remaining burning questions.

Locations: Connecticut 5G (Fifth Floor)

Georgia 5C (Fifth Floor)

Illinois 4Q (Fourth Floor)

Iowa 5B (Fifth Floor)

Michigan 5A (Fifth Floor)

Nevada 4R (Fourth Floor)

Texas 5F (Fifth Floor)



3:00 pm

Closing Thoughts and Share Out

Location: Salon A-1 (lower level)



3:30 pm

Adjourn



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