

Early Steps Workgroups

Workgroup Name	Purpose	Participation
Child Find Workgroup	Increase and expand the population served by Early Steps to include infants and toddlers at risk of developmental delay.	MIECHV, Department of Children and Families, Healthy Start, Child Protection Team, Healthy Families Florida, FICCIT parent, Executive Office of the Governor, State Systems Development Initiative Grant, Pediatrician, Local Early Steps, and Early Steps State Office
Compliance Workgroup	Ensure compliance with state and federal requirements.	Department of Education, parents, FICCIT, Office of Early Learning, Local Early Steps, and Early Steps State Office
Child and Family Outcomes Workgroup	Improve results by increasing the percentage of infants and toddlers demonstrating improved developmental outcomes upon exiting the program.	University of Miami, TATS, University of Florida, FICCIT, Florida State University, State Systems Development Initiative Grant, parents, Local Early Steps, and Early Steps State Office
State Systemic Improvement Plan Workgroup	Implement State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP) to increase the percentage of infants and toddlers who exit early intervention with an increased rate of growth in positive social emotional skills.	Florida State University, MIECHV, FICCIT, parents, Local Early Steps, and Early Steps State Office
Data Workgroup	Collect programmatic and fiscal data to support effective and efficient management of the Early Steps Program.	Federally-funded data center, Healthy Families, parents, FICCIT, Local Early Steps, and Early Steps State Office

Joint Collaborative Workgroup

Early Childhood System of Personnel Development		
Core Team	Purpose	Participation
Early Steps State Office, Office of Early Learning, Florida Department of Education, University of South Florida	Ensure that Florida's in-service professional development is a cross-sector collaboration of agencies for early intervention, early childhood special education, and early childhood with the ultimate goal to create a Comprehensive System of Personnel Development (CSPD).	Early Steps State Office, Office of Early Learning, Florida Department of Education, University of South Florida, parent, Family Network on Disabilities, FICCIT, MIECHV, Florida Atlantic University, TATS, Florida State University, University of Florida, Local Early Steps, Polk State College, Ounce of Prevention