



Florida Interagency Coordinating Council for Infants and Toddlers (FICCIT)

**Day 1 Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 5, 2025
10 a.m. – 5 p.m. ET
Tallahassee, FL**

Member Attendance			
Member Name	Member Seat	Present	Absent
Katrina Michel	Parent of child with a disability age 12 or younger		X
Nikki Tilton	Parent of child with a disability age 12 or younger	X	
Monica Cantera-Serralta	Parent of child with a disability age 12 or younger	X	
Britt Riner	Parent of child with disability age six or younger	X	
Jordan Gibson	Parent of child with disability age six or younger	X	
Kim Carr	Public/private provider of early intervention services	X	
Rob Porcaro	Public/private provider of early intervention services		X
Misty Porter	Public/private provider of early intervention services	X	
Lindsey Prato	Public/private provider of early intervention services	X	
Annette Eberhart	Public/private provider of early intervention services	X	
Rep. Adam Anderson	Member of the State Legislature		X
Dr. Patricia Snyder	Member involved in personnel preparation	X	
Andrea Gary	Member from the state agency involved in the provision of, or payment for, early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families	X	
LeNita Winkler	Member of the state education agency responsible for preschool services to children with disabilities	X	



Ann Dalton	Member from the agency responsible for the State Medicaid and CHIP program	X	
Carly Wagoner	Member from the agency responsible for the State regulation of private health insurance	X	
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Vacant	Member from a Head Start or Early Head Start agency or program in the State	--	
Vacant	Member of the state welfare agency responsible for children's mental health and foster care	--	
Vacant	Member of the Office of the Coordination of Education of Homeless Children and Youth	--	
Vacant	Member from the state agency responsible for childcare	--	
Guest Attendance			
Guest Name	Affiliation	Present In-Person	Present Virtually
Dusty Stern	Florida Department of Health	X	
Jessica Meyer	Florida Department of Health	X	
Emily Keeney	Florida Department of Health	X	
Robert French	Florida Department of Health	X	
Angela Marcus	Florida Department of Health	X	
Ken McCain	Florida Department of Health	X	
Marie Mathis	Florida Department of Health	X	
Jennifer Canfield	Florida Department of Health	X	
Jennifer Harrington	University of Florida	X	
Crystal Bishop	University of Florida	X	
Paola Hatton-Negron	Easter Seals Florida	X	
Reesi Guill	Northeastern Early Steps	X	
Camille Velardo	Northeastern Early Steps	X	
Peter Grosser	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida	X	



Jeremi Grosser	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida	X	
Celica Coleman	Florida Department of Health		X
Anna Dungey	Florida Department of Health		X
Lindsey Felt	Florida Department of Health		X
Liz Gonzalez	Florida Department of Health		X
Leila Jett	Florida Department of Health		X
Marc Julot	Florida Department of Health		X
Marie Mathis	Florida Department of Health		X
Haylie Mistrot	Florida Department of Health		X
Sandy Noel	Florida Department of Health		X
Megan O'Malley	Florida Department of Health		X
Monica Paris	Florida Department of Health		X
Marisol Rose	Florida Department of Health		X
Bryan Wendel	Florida Department of Health		X
Jessica Wilmer	Florida Department of Health		X
Kathy Carroll	Broward Health		X
Ellie Schrot	Broward Health		X
Kim Werner	Broward Health		X
Juliana Melara	Children's Home Society		X
Marissa Barrera	Easter Seals Florida		X
Olabisi Baruwa-Castro	Easter Seals Florida		X
Maria Delgado	Easter Seals Florida		X
Jeffery Gordon	Easter Seals Florida		X
Jana Khoury	Easter Seals Florida		X
Talli Menchion	Easter Seals Florida		X
Beverly Montgomery	Easter Seals Florida		X
Giovanna Rodriguez	Easter Seals Florida		X
Guerline Sanon Fravien	Easter Seals Florida		X
Christian Valenzuela	Easter Seals Florida		X
Dulce Anaya	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X



Maria Cadigan	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Tina Cordell	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Jessie Moore	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Anna Pedraza	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Trina Puddefoot	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Jill Hacket	Space Coast Early Steps		X
Nicki Phillips-Wright	Space Coast Early Steps		X
Kendy Piper	Space Coast Early Steps		X
Sharon Hennessy	University of Florida		X
April Leopold	University of Florida Jacksonville		X
Cinda Clark	University of Florida		X
Debbi Nicolosi	University of Central Florida		X
Annalise Campisi	University of South Florida		X



Minutes

Call to Order — *Misty Porter, FICCIT Chair*

Misty Porter called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. ET and completed Council member roll call. An agenda overview was provided. The Council requested edits to the November meeting minutes and postponed voting to approve.

State Updates — *Jessica Meyer, Part C Program Coordinator, Florida Department of Health*

Jessica Meyer shared status updates of current and upcoming Early Steps State Office (ESSO) projects, including the Data System, Rate Study, and Program Evaluation. Jessica Meyer discussed the data requests from Council members and provided information. Council members requested additional data. State Office staff stated they will review the requests and bring the available data to the June meeting. Jessica Meyer proposed the idea of Council sub-committees. The Council discussed this possibility and requested more information on the vision and logistics prior to deciding. The Council requested time at the June meeting to further discuss sub-committees. The Council requested that it be noted in the minutes that the Council previously agreed to shorten the quarterly meeting in June to a one-day meeting held in Orlando to accommodate attendance at Family Café.

FICCIT Mission, Vision, Role Review — *Andrea Gary, Division Director, Children's Medical Services, Florida Department of Health*

Andrea Gary presented on the efforts and progress made by Council members and ESSO in the past year. She discussed the purpose of councils and how FICCIT can support ESSO efforts to serve children in Florida. Council members asked questions regarding public engagement at FICCIT meetings. Early Steps staff members provided additional information in response to Council member questions. Council members discussed the possibility of virtual or hybrid meeting options and the possibility of shortening the meeting length. ESSO staff stated they would determine what technological capabilities were available and provide an update at the June meeting.

Lunch

Council members took a break for lunch beginning at 11:58 a.m. The Council returned and resumed business at 1:31 p.m.

Florida Embedded Practices and Intervention with Caregivers (FL-EPIC)

Overview — *Dr. Patricia Snyder, University of Florida*

Dr. Patricia Snyder presented on the FL-EPIC model being implemented at Local Early Steps (LES) across the state. She explained that the FL-EPIC model is an evidence-based practice that trains Early Intervention (EI) providers to coach parents on ways to embed EI practices into daily routines, resulting in improved outcomes for children. Dr. Snyder discussed the history, current implementation,



and Sustainability and Scale Up (SuSu) plan. Council members asked questions about the presentation. Dr. Snyder and ESSO staff members provided additional information in response to Council member questions.

Break – The council took a brief break and resumed the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

FL-EPIC Provider Panel – *Misty Porter, FICCIT Chair*

Misty Porter introduced the panel format and facilitated the panel. The four panel members introduced themselves. The panelists included Jeremi Grosser, Paola Hatton-Negron, Reesi Guill, and Camille Velardo. Each panelist represented a Local Early Steps and supports FL-EPIC implementation at their site. Panelists discussed the benefits and challenges of scaling up FL-EPIC at their sites. Council members and panelists engaged in the question-and-answer session.

Closing and Next Day Logistics — *Misty Porter, FICCIT Chair*

Misty Porter shared that the Council would reconvene for the second day of the meeting the next day at 9 a.m. in the same location.

Adjournment

Following the closing announcements, Misty Porter motioned to adjourn the meeting for the day; Nikki Tilton seconded the motion. The motion passed with no objection and the Council adjourned the meeting for the day at 5 p.m.



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Day 2 Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 6, 2025
9 a.m. – 11 a.m. ET
Tallahassee, FL

Member Attendance			
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Marie Mathis	Florida Department of Health	X	
Jennifer Harrington	University of Florida	X	
Reesi Guill	Northeastern Early Steps	X	
Camille Velardo	Northeastern Early Steps	X	
Celica Coleman	Florida Department of Health		X
Anna Dungey	Florida Department of Health		X
Liz Gonzalez	Florida Department of Health		X
Leila Jett	Florida Department of Health		X
Marc Julot	Florida Department of Health		X



Haylie Mistrot	Florida Department of Health		X
Sandy Noel	Florida Department of Health		X
Megan O'Malley	Florida Department of Health		X
Monica Paris	Florida Department of Health		X
Rob Porcaro	Florida Department of Health		X
Marisol Rose	Florida Department of Health		X
Jessica Wilmer	Florida Department of Health		X
Kathy Carroll	Broward Health		X
Kim Werner	Broward Health		X
Marissa Barrera	Easter Seals Florida		X
Olabisi Baruwa-Castro	Easter Seals Florida		X
Jana Khoury	Easter Seals Florida		X
Talli Menchion	Easter Seals Florida		X
Giovanna Rodriguez	Easter Seals Florida		X
Maria Cadigan	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Tina Cordell	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Jessie Moore	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Anna Pedraza	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Trina Puddefoot	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Karol Verdone	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Shelli Buckley	Space Coast Early Steps		X
Nicki Phillips-Wright	Space Coast Early Steps		X
Kendy Piper	Space Coast Early Steps		X
April Leopold	University of Florida Jacksonville		X
Cinda Clark	University of Florida		X
Debbi Nicolosi	University of Central Florida		X
Annalise Campisi	University of South Florida		X



Minutes

Call to Order —*Monica Cantera-Serralta, FICCIT Vice Chair*

Monica Cantera-Serralta called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. ET and completed Council member roll call. An agenda overview was provided.

Individualized Family Support Plan— *Marie Mathis, Professional Development Unit Supervisor, Florida Department of Health*

Marie Mathis presented an overview of the Individualized Family Support Plan (IFSP). She discussed eligibility requirements and application of the IFSP. Council members asked questions about the IFSP and related processes. Early Steps staff members provided additional information in response to Council member questions.

Public Comment

Kendy Piper shared a public comment regarding FL-EPIC implementation and payments at the Local Early Steps.

Closing and Next Steps —*Misty Porter, FICCIT Chair*

Misty Porter shared closing announcements.

Adjournment

Following the closing announcements, Monica Cantera-Serralta motioned to adjourn the meeting for the day; Andrea Gary seconded the motion. The motion passed with no objection and the Council adjourned the meeting for the day at 10:58 a.m.

Meeting Voting Summary

No voting items.