



Florida Interagency Coordinating Council for Infants and Toddlers (FICCIT)

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 19, 2026
9 a.m. – 5 p.m. EST
Tallahassee, FL

Member Attendance			
Member Name	Member Seat	Present	Absent
Katrina Michel	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
Dr. Patricia Snyder	Member involved in personnel preparation		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



Member Name	Member Seat	Present	Absent
Vacant	Parent of child with a disability age 12 or younger	--	
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 of the state legislature	--	
Vacant	Member from the state agency responsible for childcare	--	
Vacant	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	--	

Guest Attendance

Guest Name	Affiliation	Present In-Person	Present Virtually
Anna Simmons	Florida Department of Health	X	
Dusty Stern	Florida Department of Health	X	
Jessica Meyer	Florida Department of Health	X	
Emily Keeney	Florida Department of Health	X	
Ken McCain	Florida Department of Health	X	
Sandy Noel	Florida Department of Health	X	
Jennifer Canfield	Florida Department of Health	X	
Marisol Rose	Florida Department of Health	X	
Rashena Itwaru-Womack	Florida Department of Health	X	
Christina Reed	Florida Department of Health	X	
Marie Mathis	Florida Department of Health	X	
Angela Marcus	Florida Department of Health	X	
Robert French	Florida Department of Health	X	
Liz Gonzalez	Florida Department of Health	X	
Marc Julot	Florida Department of Health	X	

Minutes

Call to Order — *Emily Keeney, FICCIT Coordinator, Florida Department of Health*
 Emily Keeney called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. EST and completed FICCIT member roll call. An agenda overview was provided. The FICCIT determined that subcommittees would meet as a full group, rather than in breakouts. Since quorum was not met, the FICCIT postponed voting to approve the December meeting minutes.

Department of Health 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 Early Steps Data System, the Early Steps Annual Report, and the updated data requested at the December 2025 meeting. Britt Riner requested additional information about the Early Steps Extended Option, including how the additional workload would be staffed. ESSO staff explained that more information would be forthcoming after the current legislative session.

Subcommittee Discussion — *Jessica Meyer, Part C Program Coordinator, Florida Department of Health*

Jessica Meyer and ESSO staff presented on the following subcommittee topics, Quality and Accountability, Child and Family Outcomes, and Child Find and Public Awareness. This included programmatic data, action steps, and goals for the upcoming years. The FICCIT members discussed each topic. ESSO staff provided additional information and addressed all questions during this discussion.

Lunch on Your Own

The FICCIT adjourned for lunch at 11:57 a.m. They returned and resumed business at 1:31 p.m.

Subcommittee Discussion — *Jessica Meyer, Part C Program Coordinator, Florida Department of Health*

FICCIT members continued to discuss the subcommittee topics from the morning session.

Subcommittee Reports — *Jessica Meyer, Part C Program Coordinator, Florida Department of Health*

The FICCIT identified the following priorities for the coming years: review Early Steps materials to recommend revised language, identified data metrics to review at future meetings to assist with making recommendations, and assist Local Early Steps programs with ways to support provider retention. The FICCIT demonstrated support for ESSO's proposal to use a new family survey tool in the future. ESSO will bring updates on the family survey change to the next meeting.

Public Comment — *Emily Keeney, FICCIT Coordinator, Florida Department of Health*

There was no public comment.

Closing Announcements — *Emily Keeney, FICCIT Coordinator, Florida Department of Health*

Emily Keeney shared closing announcements, including a reminder that FICCIT business operates under Government in the Sunshine and upcoming meeting dates.

Adjourn

Following the closing announcements, the meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.