



Florida Interagency Coordinating Council for Infants and Toddlers (FICCIT)

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 7, 2026
1:00 p.m. – 4:30 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	
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	
Anna Simmons	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	
Devona Pickle	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	Parent of child with a disability age 12 or younger	--	
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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 of the state legislature	--	
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
Ken McCain	Florida Department of Health		X
Kurt Bonhamer	Florida Department of Health		X
Jennifer Canfield	Florida Department of Health		X
Natasha Clarke-Bernard	Florida Department of Health		X
Celica Coleman	Florida Department of Health		X
Liz Gonzalez	Florida Department of Health		X
Tiffany Harris	Florida Department of Health		X
Sue Herbert	Florida Department of Health		X
Maryanne Marchese	Florida Department of Health		X
Angela Marcus	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

Christina Reed	Florida Department of Health		X
Marisol Rose	Florida Department of Health		X
Stephanie Schofield	Florida Department of Health		X
Bryan Wendel	Florida Department of Health		X
Jessica Wilmer	Florida Department of Health		X
Erin Lee	Ascension Sacred Heart		X
Stephen Stearly	Ascension Sacred Heart		X
Jane Stearns	Ascension Sacred Heart		X
Mindy Stultz	Ascension Sacred Heart		X
Kathy Carroll	Broward Health		X
Ellie Schrot	Broward Health		X
Kimberlee Spencer	Childhood Interventions		X
Juliana Melara	Children's Home Society		X
Marissa Barrera	Easter Seals Florida		X
Bisi Castro	Easter Seals Florida		X
Stephanie Ellis Clark	Easter Seals Florida		X
Jana Khoury	Easter Seals Florida		X
Marianela Reyes	Easter Seals Florida		X
Maria Cadigan	Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida		X
Tina Cordell	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
Paula Burns	Johns Hopkins University		X
Shelli Buckley	Space Coast Early Steps		X
Brittany Henley	Space Coast Early Steps		X
Nicki Phillips-Wright	Space Coast Early Steps		X
Kendy Piper	Space Coast Early Steps		X
Debbi Nicolosi	University of Central Florida		X
Nakia Baker	University of Florida		X
Crystal Bishop	University of Florida		X
Kellie Chestnut	University of Florida		X

Cinda Clark	University of Florida		X
Reesi Guill	University of Florida		X
Jennifer Harrington	University of Florida		X
Kimberly Reed	University of Florida		X
Michelle Berkovitz	University of Miami		X
Annalise Campisi	University of South Florida		X
Emily Shaffer-Hudkins	University of South Florida		X

Minutes

Call to Order — Misty Porter, FICCIT Chair

Misty Porter called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. EST and completed FICCIT member roll call. An agenda overview was provided. The FICCIT members reviewed the December meeting minutes. LeNita Winkler motioned to approve the minutes; Rob Porcaro seconded the motion. The motion passed with no objection. The FICCIT members reviewed the February meeting minutes. Dr. Pat Snyder motioned to approve the minutes; Rob Porcaro seconded the motion. The motion passed with no objection.

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 projects, including the Early Steps Data System, the Early Steps Extended Option, and the Public Consulting Group evaluation project. Jessica Meyer introduced the new Agency for Health Care Administration representative, Devona Pickle.

Quality and Accountability Subcommittee and Child and Family Outcomes Subcommittee Next Steps: Data Review — Jessica Meyer, Part C Program Coordinator, Florida Department of Health

Jessica Meyer presented a data review in response to the FICCIT members' requests at the February meeting. The data review included referral and provider network trends. Lindsey Prato requested to see a data comparison including data before 2020.

Early Steps Data System Demonstration — Kurt Bonhamer, Early Steps Data System Contractor, Florida Department of Health

Kurt Bonhamer presented a demonstration of the new Early Steps Data System functionality from referral through the development of an Individualized Family Support Plan. The FICCIT members asked clarifying questions and Early Steps Program staff responded.

Public Awareness Subcommittee Next Steps: Website Language Review — Jessica Meyer, Part C Program Coordinator, Florida Department of Health

Jessica Meyer facilitated a discussion for the Early Steps website review. The FICCIT members provided feedback on language used on the website. At the conclusion of the conversation, Early Steps Program staff welcomed additional feedback via email.

Public Comment — Misty Porter, FICCIT Chair

There was no public comment.

Closing Announcements — Misty Porter, FICCIT Chair

Misty Porter 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 2:54 p.m.