



CHILD CARE PLANNING & ADVISORY COUNCIL

Workforce Committee | April 16, 2024 | 2:00-3:30pm

MEETING NOTES

2:00pm

Welcome

2:05pm

Conversation from Theresa Zighera's presentation last month on "Enhancing Family Resources, Advocates, and Supports for Special Needs"

Workforce Committee members shared what stood out to them, emerging questions, impact on the ECE workforce, barriers and solutions, improving child-centered spaces, sensory spaces,

2:45pm

Discussion of the newest form of the early childhood mental health initiative - Meenoo Yashar

Meenoo Yashar shared plans from DEC around expansion of early childhood mental health initiative.

Donna Waldman was introduced as a new hire as early childhood mental health program officer at DEC, new.

Request for Grant Application – went out beginning Feb 2024. Currently under review.

<https://sfdec.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/RFGA-DEC24-03-ECMHCI-FINAL.pdf>

DPH holds the contract with current mental health providers. Ends June 30. Contract is shifting to DEC, with more direct oversight of supports to sites.

Committee members discussed the need for direct service supporting teachers / providers with common mental health situations.

<https://indigoculturalcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/The-San-Francisco-ECMHC-Initiative-Evaluation-Report-Community-Experiences.pdf>

3:15pm

Other topics

3:30pm

Adjournment

Next Workforce Committee Meeting: Tuesday, May 21, 2024; 2-3:30pm