



# CHILD CARE PLANNING & ADVISORY COUNCIL

Legislation & Public Policy | Feb 5, 2025 | 9:30 - 10:30am

## MEETING NOTES

### Welcome and Updates

#### Debrief January Policy Retreat

- **Participation:** approx. 70 people for virtual. Approx 70 people for in-person training.
- **Agenda of retreat:** Panel and breakout sessions; election debrief; advocacy training; UPK update.
- **What went well:**
  - Multiple ways to provide feedback
  - Barbara Carlson's speech was motivational (would have been good kick off for day)
  - UPK breakout group was helpful.
- **What could be improved:**
  - Delay of starting time, couldn't get into the venue until 8:30am (give people an hour for registration and settling in). Because of late start, had to cut out some things.
  - Suggest having someone speak to kick off the day.

#### Discuss Safe Passage in the Tenderloin

- It's unsafe to take kids to the park in the Tenderloin. And child care employees are afraid of walking to work. 4 centers (Compass, Cross Cultural, Glide, Wu Yee) are in the heart of the Tenderloin and are talking about policies to make changes, provide safe passages. They came up with recommendations including having a safety ambassador to accompany adult and children to outdoor time.
- Feb 28 at 2pm – Supervisor Mahmood visiting Tenderloin sites.
- Take the new SF Board of Supervisors out into the neighborhood. Help them get a sense of child care sites in the communities.
- Idea – ask Supervisor Dorsey about his district the other side of Market Street and how it relates to travel between Market and the TL; talk to the DA about it.

#### Update of State/Federal Political Environment and Effects on ECE

- Share information as chaos occurs on federal level. Figure out united strategies.
- DEC is tracking federal and state funding coming to SF operators (Head Start, Child Development Block Grant, etc.), in case there are federal challenges down the line.
- Hold Harmless – unless rate reform is in place, it will default to the same. This is a huge part of creating budgets for next year. The reimbursement rate is not doing to go DOWN from what it is now.
- Very little ECE legislation lately.

- AB49 and SB48 – sister bills around immigration enforcement in schools and child care centers.
- Another bill about license applications being paid by credit card instead of business check.
- Another bill about teachers getting a background check – if they are from a different state they can begin working if certain parts of the background check (DOJ and FBI) have been completed.

### **General Updates**

- DCYF OAC committee met to talk DCYF budgets – targeting cuts of \$11.8 million. Director Dorsey said DCYF is avoiding cutting grants they have already issued.
- There are a handful of commission seats to be filled on OAC for those interested.
- There are local questions about potential efficiencies of combining department in SF. CPAC Legislation/Public Policy committee reps are meeting with Supervisor Chan’s office about this and is working with Platinum Advisors to get on Kunal Modi’s schedule.

### **Adjournment**

*Next Legislation & Public Policy Meeting: Wednesday, Mar 5, 2025; 9:30- 10:30am*