

ICC Fiscal Committee

Meeting Minutes

Thursday March 7, 2019

Friday March 8th, 2019

9:30am-12: noon

Members Present

Dana Hutchings

Leo Huppert

Artemis Saxton

Amber Neubauer

Christopher Keck-A

Sara Clancey-A

Staff Present

Jenee Sisroy

Ashley Boruff

Sharon Pierson

Members of the Public Present

None

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March 7th, 2019 & March 8th, 2019

Call to order at 9:30am

- Complete letter to AHCCCS and begin the letter to the Governor Office
- Add flowchart to AHCCCS letter with changes made (staff to make changes)
- Jenee Sisroy asked if committee would like the AG to review the letter before it goes to Governor. Committee was thankful for this opportunity.

Focus on these areas for Governor's letter

Barriers

Lack of infrastructure to support families who are not eligible for AzEIP, 4 states with

- AzEIP was one-time awarded funding to FY17, footnote to reduce screenings
- The EI criteria for AZ is significant delay
- AZ is one of 4 states with restrictive definition
- Current funding doesn't meet the needs of the children served
- Children: impact on kindergarten, third grade reading, behind
- Lack of AHCCC provider network/focus on EI SME expertise
- Lack of coordination
- Lack of funding or appropriately
- ASDB
- Current Reimbursement rates
- DSI, SC funds reimbursable services
- No one serves children with mild and moderate delays unless Private pay, and it's in a clinic setting
- School readiness, supports literacy initiative of the Governor

Solutions

Eligibility criteria

Allow focus on ongoing services that will increase the quality of services

Support children with mild and moderate delays

Better outcomes for children

Burns and Associates report

Funding

Streamlining Processes with state agencies

Refer to AHCCCS letter (see copy)

Action Items for Next Meeting

- Committee to review of draft letter changes, make additions/corrections and send to Sharon by March 20th, 2019
- Look at trends for 1991-2016 population of number served- Arizona
- IDEA national average Child Find: 1991 1.7% of population vs 2017 3.12% (ECTA website)
- Funding level over the years at the state level and how it has or how not changed over multi years.
- Historical perspective funding levels- Leo to review/research this issue

Attachments for Letter

- <https://stateofbabies.org/>

Next meeting Friday March 22nd, 2019 & Friday March 29th 9-12:30pm

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