NEBRASKA EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL (ECICC)

A collaborative effort to advise state government
on the improvement of services affecting
young children and their families

November 20, 2026
9:00 AM via zoom and at the
Nebraska Department of Education, room 262
500 S. 84th Street
Lincoln, Nebraska

DRAFT AGENDA

9:00-9:15 AM	**Council Meeting Convenes** **Welcome/Introductions** *__Approval of minutes – August 14, 2026__ **Review of today's agenda**	ECICC Chair, Dr. Gina Bittner
9:15-9:20 AM	** **Public Comment, Announcements, Upcoming Events**	
9:20-9:25 AM	**Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Update**	Nicole Vint CCDF Administrator DHHS Office of Economic Assistance
9:25-9:30 AM	**Early Childhood Update**	Steph Knust Office of Early Childhood, NDE
9:30-9:40 AM	**Head Start Update**	Steph Knust Office of Early Childhood, NDE
9:40-10:00 AM	**IDEA Part C Differentiated Monitoring and Support (DMS) Updates**	Amy Bunnell & Jessica Anthony, EDN Co-Leads
10:00-10:20 AM	**PDG Strategic Plan/Needs Assessment Update**	Dr. Alissa Rausch Associate Research Faculty, Marisco Institute of Early Learning, Univ. of Denver
10:20-10:35 AM	**Break**	
10:35-10:55 AM	**Child Care Insurance Work Group**	John Marinovich, ECICC member State of Nebraska Department of Insurance
10:55-11:25 AM	**Legislative update**	Mitch Clark, Policy Advisor FirstFive Nebraska, ECICC Technical Assistant

11:25-11:30 AM **February 12th, 2027 Meeting Components** Mary Phillips

11:30 AM **Other – Adjournment**

Next Meeting: Friday, February 12, 2027, at 9:00a.m. CT, format TBD - possibly via zoom.

2027 ECICC meeting dates

- February 12
- May 7
- August 13
- November 19

Proposed 2028 ECICC meeting dates

- February 11 (leap year)
- May 5
- August 11
- November 17

*Council vote needed
** Public Comment Invited

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