



# Washington State Department of **CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES**

Indian Policy Early Learning (IPEL) Sub Committee Meeting

Agenda

January 22, 2024, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Virtual Zoom details below

Time	Activity
1:00 – 1:05 PM	<b>Michael Vendiola, IPEL Chair</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Welcome/Prayer/Introductions</li></ul>
1:05 – 1:20 PM	<b>Caucus Updates provided by IPEL Chair</b>
1:20 – 1:30 PM	<b>Introduction of Melissa Cheesman, Government Affairs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Melissa is a new Senior Policy Advisor in Government Affairs</li></ul> <i>Wendy Thomas, Tribal Early Learning Liaison</i>
1:30 – 2:30 PM	<b>Introduction to the Early Care and Education Access and Living Wage Plan</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>DCYF will provide an overview of the Early Care and Education Access and Living Wage Proviso. DCYF is seeking feedback to inform the implementation plan that DCYF must submit by June 30, 2025 that outlines how families will pay no more than 7% of their family income within Washington’s mixed-delivery system and provide a living wage for our early learning workforce.</li></ul> <i>Nicole Rose, Assistant Secretary, Early learning</i> <i>Diana Stokes, Early Care and Education Access Project Manager</i> <i>Genevieve Stokes, Director of Government Relations, Child Care Awareness of WA</i>
2:30 – 2:50 PM	<b>Tribal Infant &amp; Early Childhood Mental Health funding advisory group</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>We will update folks on the status of the Tribal IECMHC proviso funding for this year and invite them to provide their feedback and/or to join our advisory group, who will guide this work.</li></ul> <i>Charlotte Campbell, Early Learning Division Government &amp; Partnerships Liaison</i> <i>Megan Tady, IECMHC Consultation Coordinator</i>
2:50 – 3:05 PM	<b>The Lovit Way</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>We will share updates about The LOVIT Way implementation in Early Achievers, including our plan to visit and facilitate The LOVIT Way in ten tribal programs this year!</li></ul> <i>Charlotte Campbell, Early Learning Division Government &amp; Partnerships Liaison</i> <i>Carmen McClain, UW Cultivate Learning Quality Recognition Tribal Specialist</i>
3:05 – 3:20 PM	<b>Tribal Early Learning Fund (TELF)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Where we are at and where we are headed</li></ul> <i>Wendy Thomas, Tribal Early Learning Liaison</i> <i>Rayna Espinosa, Tribal Early Learning Fund Specialist</i> <i>Polo Hernandez, UW Community Partner Fellow - Intern</i>
3:20 – 3:50 PM	<b>Announced Monitoring Visits for Certified Tribal Child Care</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Certified tribes will now receive an email request to schedule an agreed-upon date and time for annual monitoring visits. Licensing Division would like tribal input on our procedure guide for staff as well as the email wording to tribes.</li></ul> <i>Anne Radcliffe, LD Policy &amp; Change Management Program Supervisor</i> <i>Mindy Flett, Tribal Child Care Licensing Specialist</i>



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3:50 – 4:00

Wrap-Up

## **IPEL Executive Committee**

Michael Vendiola, Chair  
Sheryl Fryberg, Vice Chair  
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## **Meeting Details:**

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