



LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILD CARE PLANNING COMMITTEE
Membership Application 2012-13



Dear Colleague:

The Child Care Planning Committee (Planning Committee) is recruiting new members for Fiscal Year 2012-13 and hopes that you will take the time to complete and submit this application.

The Policies and Membership Work Group of the Planning Committee will review all applications and make recommendations to the full Committee. Upon adoption, the Committee will forward the recommended membership slate to the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors and the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools, which have final approval.

We encourage applicants to carefully assess both their ability to participate in the Planning Committee activities and commitment to the Committee's Mission Statement. Regular participation in the monthly meetings and in a Work Group is required of all members. The Planning Committee's focus in 2012-13 will be the completion and endorsement of a new Strategic Plan for Child Care and Development for the County of Los Angeles 2013-2023. It is very important that every member be a working member.

CURRENT MEMBERS MUST RE-SUBMIT AN APPLICATION EACH YEAR.

Completed applications should be mailed, e-mailed or faxed by May 9, 2012 to:

Office of Child Care
222 South Hill Street, 5th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Fax: (213) 217-5106
www.childcare.lacounty.gov
lescobedo@ceo.lacounty.gov

If you have questions, please contact Ancelma Sanchez at (213) 353-1600 ext 20, JoAnn Shalhoub-Mejia at (323) 935-4035 or Laura Escobedo at (213) 974-4102. All Planning Committee meetings are open to the public. Your participation, regardless of membership, is welcomed.

Karla Howell, Chair
Child Care Planning Committee

Ancelma Sanchez, Co-chair
JoAnn Shalhoub-Mejia, Co-Chair
Policies and Membership Work Group

Applicant Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street City Zip Code

Day Telephone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____

E-mail address: _____

A. Categories of Membership

Twenty percent of Planning Committee members must represent each of the following categories: Child Care Provider, Child Care Consumer, Community Representative, Public Agencies, and Discretionary. Please place a check mark next to all of the categories that apply to you and provide the information requested.

1. Child Care Consumer - currently use child care or have used it within the past 36 months.

2. Child Care Provider - please check the type of care you provide:

a.) Licensed family child care

b.) Licensed center funded by California Department of Education (CDE)

Center Name Street City Zip

c.) Licensed center, not funded by CDE

Center Name Street City Zip

d.) License-exempt child care

Program name (if applicable) Street City Zip

3. Community Representative - excluding agencies that contract with the CDE to provide child care and development services.

Agency/Organization Street City Zip

___ **4. Public Agency** - including City, County, State, and local education agencies.

Agency/Organization _____ Street _____ City _____ Zip _____

___ **5. Discretionary/Other** _____
Agency/Organization _____

Address: _____

B. Member Responsibilities

Members are expected to attend up to ten (10) monthly meetings and an annual orientation and/or retreat. Regular meetings are usually held on the first Wednesday of the month from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m., unless otherwise indicated on the yearly calendar.

Each member is required to participate in at least one Work Group. **Please indicate in which work group you would most like to participate:**

___ **Policies and Membership:** Develops annual slate of members; reviews and revises the policies and procedures for the Planning Committee; participates in annual self-review.

___ **Workforce:** Develops plans to implement the new Strategic Plan in areas related to Workforce; serves as an advisory group to the Investing in Early Educators Initiative.

___ **Quality:** Develops plans to implement the new Strategic Plan in areas related to quality; serves as an advisory to the Steps to Excellence Program (STEP)

___ **Inclusion:** Promotes the inclusion of children with special needs in typical child care environments; promotes coordination of services as related to elements of the Strategic Plan.

___ **Improving Access to Care:** Oversees process for setting geographic priorities for State funding; reviews data related to the Needs Assessment for child care and development; reviews requests for changes in service priorities; and develops plans to implement section of Strategic Plan related to Access.

___ **Joint Committee on Legislation:** Reviews, prioritizes and makes recommendations to the Planning Committee and the Policy Roundtable for Child Care on issues and legislation related to child care and development.

___ **Constructing Connections LA Collaborative:** Assists individuals and groups who are developing child care centers in Los Angeles County. The Collaborative considers funding, barriers to development, and improving available technical assistance to facilitate the development of more child care facilities in Los Angeles County.

C. Each member must appoint an **Alternate from the same membership category** to take the member's place in the member's absence. Please designate your alternate below and provide complete contact information.

Name: _____

Agency/organization (if applicable) _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____

E-mail address: _____

Membership Category: Check all that apply to your potential alternate: ___ *Child Care Consumer*
___ *Child Care Provider* ___ *Community Representative* ___ *Public Agency* ___ *Discretionary*

D. Additional Background Information on Applicant: (May attach a resume if you prefer.)

Please describe all relevant professional and community organizations with which you are currently involved (i.e., serve on Boards and/or Commissions).

MISSION STATEMENT

Los Angeles County Child Care Planning Committee

The mission of the Child Care Planning Committee is to engage parents, child care providers, allied organizations, community, and public agencies in collaborative planning efforts to improve the overall child care infrastructure of Los Angeles County, including the quality and continuity, affordability and accessibility of child care and development services for all families.