

## SICC/LICC Joint Meeting June 4, 2020 SICC Update

1. The SICC has two vacant positions. If you have any recommendations, please email SICC Chair, Brenda Hussey-Gardner, at [bhussey@som.umaryland.edu](mailto:bhussey@som.umaryland.edu).
  - a. Parent of a young child (<12 years of age) with a developmental delay or disability. We are particularly interested in adding a father to our SICC.
  - b. Representative from the State Legislature.
2. Members from the Division for Early Childhood (DEC) of the Council for Exception Children (CEC) and IDEA Infant Toddler Coordinators Association (ITCA), along with key stakeholders, have developed a Joint Position Statement on Service Coordination in Early Intervention. SICC Chair distributed this position statement to all members and requested they consider provided feedback via the DEC/ITCA online survey. The survey took about 10 minutes to complete and feedback was submitted by several members. The survey remains open until June 10<sup>th</sup>. The statement and survey are available at <https://www.dec-sped.org/single-post/2020/05/20/Call-for-Input-DECITCA-Joint-Position-Statement-on-Service-Coordination-in-Early-Intervention>.
3. There are no legislative updates at this time.
4. MSDE Division of Early Childhood updates:
  - a. Division of Early Childhood programming during COVID
    - i. PreK Expansion Grantees and Head Start implementing distance learning.
    - ii. Child Care Scholarship payments continue whether or not programs are open or closed or children in attendance.
    - iii. Virtual inspections beginning for child care programs.
    - iv. Maryland EXCELS QASs supporting quality improvement.
    - v. PDG B-5 activities continue, including expanding IECMH.
  - b. Working with State ECAC to develop early childhood system recovery plan to promote coordination and alignment between local school systems and early childhood system.
  - c. Child Care for Essential Personnel: Total Programs=4,323
    - i. Family Child Care (EPCC): 3284
    - ii. Child Care Centers (EPCC): 1003
    - iii. School Age Unlicensed (EPSA): 36
  - d. MSDE is working closely with MDH and MEMA to provide guidance and recommendations to EPCC and EPSA programs.
5. The General & Joint SICC meeting dates for 2020-2021 are as follows:  
General SICC Meeting - October 8th, 2020 - 1:00pm - 3:30pm  
General SICC Meeting - December 3rd, 2020 - 1:00pm - 3:30pm  
General SICC Meeting - February 4th, 2021 - 1:00pm - 3:30pm  
General SICC Meeting - April 8th, 2021 - 1:00pm - 3:30pm  
Joint SICC/LICC Meeting - June 3rd, 2021 - 10:00am - 2:00pm