



Meeting Agenda

Division: Family Well-Being and Protection, Early Intervention and Support

Meeting Topic: Early Childhood Iowa State Board

Date: April 10, 2026

Time: 9:00am – 11:00am

Location: [Zoom Webinar](#) Meeting ID: 160 457 6055 and Lucas State Office Building (321 E 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319), Ground Floor LG20-A small

Agenda Topic and Items

Time	Description	Lead	Alignment to the ECI Strategic Plan
9:00 am	Welcome/Introductions	Emily Westergaard, Chair	Information Item: Goal 1
	Consent Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda for today’s meeting • Approval of minutes from March 6, 2026 • Dickinson, O’Brien, Clay, and Osceola Invoices • Administrative Update 	Emily Westergaard	Action Item: Goal 1
9:07am	Public Comment (limit of 2 minutes per person) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign-up 	Emily Westergaard	Action Item: Goal 2
9:25am	Vice Chair position Chair position	Nominating Committee	Action Item: Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

9:40am	<p>Letter to Request a Local Merge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lyon, Sioux, Plymouth, Cherokee, Buena Vista, Crawford, Sac, Osceola, O'Brien, Clay and Dickinson 	Dawn Sickelka and Annette Koster	Action Item: Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
10:00am	<p>Designation Process for FY27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alignment with Iowa Code 256I • Adopt Section 3 of the Policies and Procedures Manual and Corresponding Templates • Adhere to the monthly calendar of requirements • Establish a quarterly state board evaluation of area's compliance with the monthly requirements • Identify pathways for local areas to document extenuating circumstances for the State Board to consider 	Emily Westergaard and Aaron Johnson	Action Item: Goal 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
10:25am	<p>Tool O Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New: Community Collaboration and Planning as a service • Family Support Home Visitation and Group-Based as two separate services • Wage Enhancement Clarifications 	Emily Westergaard and Aaron Johnson	Action Item: Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
10:40am	<p>FY27 Funding Formula</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33%: 0-5 population • 33%: 0-5 population under 185% FPL • 34%: births with 3 or more risks at birth identified through vital statistics <p>Categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5% Administrative 	Amanda Winslow, Amanda McKee	Action Item: Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Program Discretionary• Home Visitation		
10:55am	Adjourn <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summarize next steps	Emily Westergaard	Action Item