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**Policy**

To establish the relationship between the ECI State Board and the ECI Stakeholder Alliance (aka State Early Childhood Advisory Council)

**Purpose:**

- To support the Early Childhood Iowa State Board in addressing the early care, health, and education systems that affect 0-5 children.
- Provide advice to the ECI State Board in coordinating activities and policies related to Iowa’s comprehensive early childhood system.

**Definitions:**

- The ECI State Board is established in Iowa Code 256I.3.
- The duties of the ECI State Board are established in Iowa Code 256I.4.
- The ECI Stakeholder Alliance is established in Iowa Code 256I.12

**Procedures:**

- The ECI State Board may request the ECI Stakeholder Alliance to provide information, data or other materials and documents in order to make informed decisions. The ECI Steering Committee will review and assign to the appropriate Component Group or ad hoc committee for response.
- The ECI Stakeholder Alliance should forward any information, data or other materials to the ECI State Board upon request.
- The ECI Stakeholder Alliance may forward advice, in the form of recommendations to the ECI State Board to assist in making informed decisions.
- The ECI State Board and the ECI Stakeholder Alliance shall assume responsibility for the appropriate portions of the ECI Strategic Plan and work collaboratively in the development or in revisions of the plan.
- A bi-monthly update is produced to include both ECI State Board and ECI Stakeholder Alliance-related activities and will be shared with all necessary groups.

**Responsibilities:**

The Early Childhood Iowa Office shall serve as the conduit between the ECI State Board and the ECI Stakeholder Alliance.

**Revision History**

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