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Policy

The ECI Steering Committee (SC) shall not exceed a maximum of 25 members at any time.

Purpose:

The ECI Stakeholder Alliance (SA) shall operate with a Steering Committee to provide leadership, organize, manage, and coordinate the activities of the ECI SA and the component groups. The steering committee shall serve as the ECI SA between SA meetings.

Definitions:

There are three categories of ECI SC membership including:

- 1- The co-chairpersons of the ECI SA component groups;
- 2- A minimum of three at-large members to ensure representation based on a variety of factors including but not limited to geographic, racial/ethnic identity, gender and early childhood sector (i.e., early learning, family support, special needs/early intervention, health, mental health and nutrition). These at-large members shall be nominated by the ECI SA membership or self-nominated. As is true with the component group co-chairpersons, these at-large members shall serve three year terms with a maximum of two terms served consecutively and;
- 3- Members designated to meet the requirements of the State Advisory Council initiated through the Head Start federal legislation (42 USC 9801, Section 642B) and the following;
 - a. The Early Childhood Iowa Office lead staff person or designee;
 - **b.** The staff person responsible for the implementation of the Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Grant or designee, as long as that grant is in effect; and
 - **c.** A member of the Early Childhood Iowa State Board if and when his or her participation is possible.

Procedures:

The SC shall, on an annual basis, review the proposed slate, which includes the three categories of ECI SC members. During the first ECI SA meeting of the state fiscal year the Alliance shall vote, either accepting the entire slate or rejecting it. The vote shall be determined by the majority of members present at the meeting. In the event of a rejected slate, a new slate must be developed and voted on during the next Alliance meeting.

While all three categories of ECI SC membership are subject to ratification (via the up or down vote of the ECI SA) only the first two categories are subject to term limits. Some individual ECI EC members may fill more than one role.

Additional SC members may be added at any ECI SA meeting. The Alliance shall vote, either accepting the entire slate or rejecting it. The vote shall be determined by the majority of members present at the meeting.

A SC nomination form shall be provided to the ECI SA for submission to the Early Childhood Iowa Office.

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Responsibilities:
Refer to Policy and Procedure sections 2.2.2 - Roles and Responsibilities
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