

Early Childhood Council Governance Waiver Request

Application

Early Childhood Council Name : The Early Childhood Council of Boulder County (ECCBC)	Date: April 26, 2017
Primary Contact (Name and Position): Bobbie Watson, Executive Director	Phone: 303-895-3421
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1. Citation of Rule or Regulation for Waiver Request pursuant to Early Childhood Council Rule 7.717.6(E): *(please include rule/regulation number, and specific language of the rule/regulation creating the barrier):*

Rule-making # 16-10-27-1

7.717.4 GOVERNANCE

4(A)(4) Early Childhood Council membership shall:

Include at least one representative, who operates or resides within the council's service area, from each of the following seven (7) mandatory stakeholder groups:

- a. Early care and education;
- b. Family support and parent education services;
- c. Health care;
- d. Local government;
- e. Parent of a child five (5) years of age or younger;
- f. Mental health care; and,
- g. Resource and referral agency.

And 4(C)

Each Early Childhood Council shall submit a summary of justification and a request for approval to the State Department in cases where:

- 1. One individual represents multiple mandatory stakeholder groups
- 2. A mandatory stakeholder group is vacant for more than ninety (90) days.

2. Associated Legislation: *(Please list any statute or legislation associated with the rule/regulation cited above. Please note: state statutes cannot be waived.)*

HB 07-1062

3. Waiver Request *(Describe the barrier this waiver addresses to implementation of an early childhood project is the rule/regulation creating)*

The Early Childhood Council of Boulder County is requesting 9 months to achieve compliance with the requirement that there be one representative of each of the seven stakeholder groups on the governance board. Given the timing of selection of new members and the size of the current board, the effective and efficient operation of the Board would be negatively impacted if we are required to add additional members at this time. We would prefer to wait for current members to serve out their terms and then fill vacant slots with new members to cover existing deficits in stakeholder roles.

4. Reason for Request *(Describe the barrier this waiver addresses, and why you are concerned and/or unable to comply with the minimum rule requirements)*

Please see the response to #3 above.

5. How will Waiver Approval positively impact children, families, and/or your community?

What we are requesting is only an extension of time to come into compliance with the membership requirements. A waiver approval for an extension of time will allow ECCBC to continue to function as currently configured until such time as additional slots become vacated.

6. Please describe stakeholder outreach. Who are all the affected parties of this Waiver Request? *(You may attach letters from affected parties)*

There are no affected parties.

7. Do you have any evidence to demonstrate that compliance with the specific rule creates a substantial undue burden? (If so, please attach)

The ECCBC Board is a mature, effectively functioning group as presently configured. Currently, 5 of the required stakeholders (ECE; family support; healthcare; parent of a child <5; and mental health care) are represented. We are missing: government and CCR&R. An open slot is forthcoming in June 2017 and we will look to fill that position with someone from government. ECCBC is applying for the CCR&R RFP-so we will wait to see the result of that application in determining if that would meet the CCR&R requirement.

8. If this rule/regulation is waived, how will you meet its intended purpose? *(ex: diversity of stakeholders, health and safety of children in care, etc.)*

ECCBC has an Advisory Council (AC) and membership incorporates constituents from all 7 mandatory stakeholder groups. The Chair of the AC sits on the Board of Directors as a

<p>voting member so all stakeholder groups are in essence currently represented on the Board. ECCBC is only seeking time in which to fill Board slots as they open up to include stakeholders from each group. Requiring the Board to do so immediately would result in a disruption to the effective and efficient functioning of the Board as a cohesive team.</p>
<p>9. On what date would you like the Waiver to START?</p> <p>5/1/2017</p>
<p>10. On what date would you like the Waiver to END?</p> <p>3/1/2018</p>
<p>11. Is there a fiscal impact to implementing this waiver? <i>(Please describe any anticipated financial impact)</i></p> <p>There is no anticipated fiscal impact to implementing this waiver.</p>
<p>12. How will you evaluate the effectiveness of this rule/regulation waiver if approved?</p> <p>We will submit a new roster of our board members within the 9 months that are being requested in order to be in compliance with the stakeholder group requirement.</p>
<p>13. Additional Comments:</p>

SIGNED:

Bobbie Watson

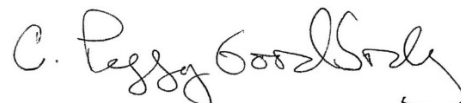
ECCBC Executive Director



ECCBC Executive Director Signature

C. Peggy Goodbody

ECCBC Board Chair



ECCBC Board Chair Signature

Early Childhood Council Governance Waiver Request
Colorado Department of Human Services Written Statement

Early Childhood Council Name: Boulder County Early Childhood Council	Waiver #: 17-04
CDHS Contact (Name and Position): Stacey Kennedy, Child Care Quality Initiatives Director	Phone: 3038665382
Email: Stacey.Kennedy@state.co.us	Date: 5/3/17

- 1. Confirm Citation of Rule or Regulation for Waiver Request (please include rule/regulation number, and specific language of the rule/regulation creating the barrier). Confirm if Rule/Regulation is waivable under Early Childhood Council Rule 7.717.6(E) :**

Yes, on a time limited basis not to extend beyond March 30, 2018.

- 2. Implications of Waiver Approval on the health and safety of children (Does approval of this waiver request have anticipated implications on implementation of other ECC projects?):**

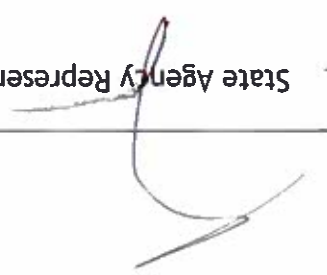
Not applicable.

SIGNED:

State Agency Representative Name

Stacey Kennedy

State Agency Representative Signature



4. Additional Comments:

Recommendation to the ECLC to approve the waiver request.

3. Recommendation from CDHS (Select one option below and remove the other options. Please add comments to explain reason for recommendation):



Early Childhood Council Governance Waiver Request **Recommendation from ECLC Waiver Review Subcommittee**

Early Childhood Council Name: Early Childhood Council of Boulder	Waiver #: 17-04
CDHS Involved: Stacey Kennedy	Date: 5/16/17
Recommendation to ECLC: Approve the waiver request.	

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2. **Summary of Rule/Regulation Waiver Request from ECC:**

The Early Childhood Council of Boulder County is requesting an extension of time to achieve compliance with the requirement that there be one representative of each of the seven stakeholder groups on the governance board.

3. **Summary of Written Statement from Colorado Department of Human Services:**

CDHS recommended the ECLC approve the waiver, not to be extended beyond March 30, 2018.

4. **Recommendation from ECLC Waiver Review Subcommittee (WRS):**

The WRS recommended the waiver be approved on a time limited basis until March 31, 2018.

TO BE COMPLETED AT NEXT FULL ECLC MEETING

Date of ECLC Meeting:
ECLC Waiver Decision and Conditions:
