Meeting Objectives:
- Approve minutes from June 17, 2020
- Learn about COVID-19 EC Research Updates
- Hear the survey results from Clayton Early Learning
- Learn about the RAPID Study
- Finalize Indicators for the 3rd Area of Opportunity
- Hear Comments from the Early Childhood Community

Attendees: Angela Ben-Zekry, Carsten Baumann, Holley Murphy, Jake Barney, Jennifer O'Brien, Keller Anne Ruble, Maegan Lokteff, Marina Mendoza, Michael Taylor, Miriam Estrada, Renee Alarcon, Samuel Nnorom, Suzanne Delap, Tara Rhodes, Tracie Corner, Whitney LeBoeuf, Susan Steele, Meg Franko, Rick Winter, Alisha Lacombe-Emile, Amanda Culbertson, Kristina Heyl

Welcome & Approve Minutes from June 17, 2020
The meeting was called to order at 2:03 PM. Susan Steele called for a motion to approve the minutes from the June 17th meeting. Rick Winters motioned for approval; Meg Franko seconded, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

COVID-19 EC Sector Research Updates
Meg Franko reminded the group that Early Milestones Colorado is taking the lead on coordinating a research response to the COVID-19 crisis that will allow Colorado to have the needed data to make informed decisions about getting through this crisis, preparing for any possible public health relapses, and rebuilding the early childhood system as the crisis winds down. Meg shared that they have sent out the three surveys: provider, workforce and family survey. The provider survey will collect information on supply, operations & instructional adaptations, health and use of need for support resources. The workforce survey will collect information from early childhood professionals on retention, financial well-being, support needs and education continuation/completion. The family survey will collect information on the emergency child care program, child care status/demand, school year needs/demand, child care desires/priorities, pandemic priorities, family support services and financial well-being. Meg shared initial data from all three surveys.

Meg shared that they will be holding community engagement sessions starting in July and August that will be held virtually. They will engage with local systems partners, providers, early childhood professionals, business leaders, and families. In the Fall they will return to these communities to discuss policies and practices that would be most helpful/ impactful to the community. After the surveys close they will need to clean data, run descriptive analysis, filter by identified factors (e.g., County, Program Type) and make descriptive tables available to partners. Early Milestones will be developing a dashboard (estimated launch end of August) and will be developing policy briefs based on the results from the three surveys.

Clayton Early Learning Survey Results
Holley Murphy from Clayton Early Learning discussed their newly release infographic detailing the results of their May 2020 survey of Colorado's child care providers. Clayton Early Learning conducted a survey of child care programs in Colorado to learn the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on their ability to deliver essential services in their communities. Holley shared the survey results will add value to many initiatives in the child care sector’s long-term success, and the resulting data are being used to inform policy solutions directed at systemic improvement throughout the state. Results came from 172 provider responses in 29 counties across...
Colorado. The survey results detail the providers’ operational status during COVID-19, their sources of financial support, where providers found support, what the challenges were for them and long term policy changes.

**RAPID - EC Project**
Kristina Heyl informed the group of the RAPID- EC Project which is the Rapid Assessment of Pandemic Impact on Development - Early Childhood household survey. Kristina shared there are many reports available on their website about the effects of the pandemic on families. The reports can be found at: [https://medium.com/rapid-ec-project](https://medium.com/rapid-ec-project).

**3rd Area of Opportunity - Final Vote on Indicators: Support improved family health and economic security through a Two-Generation approach**
The Subcommittee discussed the data indicators for the ECLC’s third Area of Opportunity. The Subcommittee determined what final indicators to move forward with gathering data on. The group decided to Remove #3: On-time high school graduation rate from the current indicators list and replacing it with the mental health indicator from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) Survey: CHD.02 (Now thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression, and problems with emotions, for how many days during the past 30 days was your mental health not good?).

**Public Comment and Member Updates**
Whitney LeBoeuf shared the ECE Professionals 2019 Snapshot Report. Kristina will send the report out to the Subcommittee.

Michael Taylor shared that Early Learning Ventures has some data on programs staying open, accessing funding, etc; it can be found here and here.

Rick Winter informed the group that the CDE is accepting applications for a stakeholder group that will discuss how the cancellation of state assessments will impact accountability, accreditation, and educator evaluations.

**Next Steps and Adjournment**
Susan Steele thanked everyone for their great participation in the meeting and asked the Subcommittee to start thinking of next steps and lessons learned from the data discussed at the meeting that could inform policies and practices.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

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