



MAKING IT WORK:
STATE AND LOCAL
PERSPECTIVES
FOR IMPROVING
CALIFORNIA'S EARLY
LEARNING SYSTEM

January 23, 2018
2:00 p.m.

Sacramento Public Library
(Galleria)

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AGENDA

Registration 1:30–2:00 p.m.

Welcome

Patrick M. Shields, Executive Director, Learning Policy Institute

Opening Remarks on Early Care and Education

Assemblymember Kevin McCarty

Report Presentation

Building an Early Learning System That Works: Next Steps for California

Hanna Melnick, Research and Policy Associate, Learning Policy Institute

Beth Meloy, Senior Researcher and Policy Analyst, Learning Policy Institute

Panel Discussion: Improving Program Administration

Karla Pleitéz Howell (moderator), Director of Educational Equity, Advancement Project

Raechelle Bowlay-Sutton, Coordinator, San Luis Obispo County Child Care Planning Council

Sean Casey, Executive Director, First 5 Contra Costa

Sarah Neville-Morgan, Director of the Early Education and Support Division, California Department of Education

Natalie Woods Andrews, Director of Early Learning, Sacramento County Office of Education; Director, California Preschool Instructional Network

Panel Discussion: Ensuring High-Quality Preschool in an Expanded ECE System

Marjorie Wechsler (moderator), Principal Research Manager, Learning Policy Institute

Wendy Dickens, Executive Director, First 5 Shasta

Erin Gabel, Deputy Director for External and Governmental Affairs, First 5 California

September Jarrett, Executive Director, San Francisco Office of Early Care and Education

Dean Tagawa, Executive Director for the Early Childhood Education Division, Los Angeles Unified School District

Samantha Tran, Senior Managing Director of Education Policy, Children Now

Closing Remarks

Patricia Lozano, Executive Director, Early Edge California
