

Attachment A: Sample Questions for ECD Radical Family Engagement Stakeholder Event

The time for ECD's Radical Family Engagement event is ninety minutes and small group discussions will be built into the event. Respondents will be informed that their participation is completely voluntary and that their information will be kept private and their responses will not be associated with individual names. Each respondent will spend an estimated 30 minutes (maximum) for their responses. The event will be virtual.

The questions are designed to hear directly from participants on strategies to reinforce the ACF Office of Early Childhood Development's mission of acting as a catalyst to create collective impact and support early learning and care of our nation's children and their families through communication, coordination and partnerships, sustainability, and resource sharing. This event is focused on identifying promising strategies and barriers to implementing family engagement approaches in multiple child and family programs.

The questions below provide examples of the types of questions that may be covered during the meeting in various small group breakout sessions:

Needs Assessment and Gaps

- What do parents and families need to support their healthy development and social and economic well-being?
- How can we better engage parents to partners and advocate for early learning programs and policies?

Promising Approaches or Innovations

- What are some promising and innovative strategies to support and strengthen families with young children?

Engaging States and Local communities

- What are states/localities doing to increase improve early care and education systems and transition to school and other child and family service systems?

Barriers and Challenges

- What are the factors that make it easier to coordinate across early childhood programs/initiatives?
- What makes it hard or difficult to coordinate across programs and initiatives? What are barriers and challenges to serving families more holistically?

Recommendations

- What could the federal government do to make the coordination in early childhood better?
- What type of technical assistance and support is needed?
- What are some of the data and research needs in early childhood development?
- How might we partner differently and more effectively? How can federal, state, and local government partner more effectively?
- How might ECD/ACF be a catalyst to create collective impact and support early learning and care of our nation's children and their families?

General feedback)

- The meeting increased my knowledge and understanding about [add name of specific topic].
- I intend to apply what I learned in my work.
- Overall, the presenters enhanced my learning based on the information provided.
- The webinar/meeting was applicable and relevant to my state and program's needs.
- I am satisfied with the overall quality of the webinar/meeting.
- Please share suggestions for other topics or for improving future webinars/meetings. (open text box)

Likert Scale Responses:

1. Strongly Disagree
2. Disagree
3. Neutral, neither agree nor disagree
4. Agree
5. Strongly Agree

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