Welcome & Review purpose, goals and timeline of project
The Pritzker Children’s Initiative (PCI), a project of the JB and MK Pritzker Family Foundation, is investing in states and communities to build capacity for planning and executing ambitious policy agendas for improving outcomes for babies, toddlers, and their families.

The PCI shared purpose is to promote and establish quality systems and programming for infants, toddlers and families in your communities and state. The PCI strategy is grounded in the knowledge that it will take both state and local efforts to develop, expand, implement, and sustain high quality PN-3 systems.

PCI State Partners include:
Alliance for Early Success (AES)
National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)
National Governor’s Association (NGA)
First Five Years Fund

PCI Community Partners (29) include:
National Association of Counties (NACo),
National League of Cities (NLC),
Center for Study of Social Policy (CSSP), and
the combined network of National Institute for Children’s Health Quality NICHQ/Strive Together.

Minnesota received at statewide grant and two local or community grants. The Alliance for Early Success provided funds to West Central Initiative (Nancy Jost), who is partnering with LaCroix-Dalluhn Consulting (Laura & Etonde), to develop a statewide policy platform and strategy for PN-3.

There are three outcomes we aim to achieve before the end December;
1. Develop a PN-3 policy platform for 2019
2. Develop PN-3 advocacy strategies for 2019
3. Identify and secure a fiscal host and home for the PN-3 work moving forward

PCI wants and expects all partners to prioritize PN-3 policy actions around evidence-based home visiting and infant & toddler care.

NACo provided a grant to Ramsey County (Marcie Jeffreys) to better align services for county involved families. And NLC provide a grant to Minneapolis through the Minneapolis Youth
Coordinating Board (Ann DeGroot) to provide training and increase knowledge among family, friends and neighbors (FFN) providing care to infants and toddlers.

Other states funded by the Alliance for Early Success include Oregon, North Carolina, Colorado, Georgia, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin.

NOTE: We are trying to make this a space where folks can build relationships & have honest dialogue in a way that leads us towards a truly unified Coalition in 2019.

Introductions

Benchmarks and Horizons of PN-3 Policy Work in MN
Each organization/association shared their brief history in PN-3 policy and specifically spoke to their impact, financial investments (research, awareness building, programming, etc.) or critical partnerships. They also identified what was on the horizon for PN-3 (Opportunities and/or concerns). Below is a photo of the graphically recorded information.

Some common themes emerged around approaches to working in Prenatal to Three space:

1. "Babies have history & memories in their bodies" (epigenetics)
2. "Challenge the system" - what do we mean by what we say?
3. Listening to families
4. Co-creation/holistic approach
5. Quality & affordability for families & providers
6. Focus on facilities/infrastructure/workforce
7. Political & public will to focus on PN-3
8. Centering mental health, toxic stress, & historical trauma
9. Access to knowledge & high quality care
Develop shared principles
Individuals worked in groups of 2 or 3 to identify up to 6 values that drive their PN-3 policy work. They shared their top 2-3 values with the group. Planning team members then grouped these top 2-3 values in like groups.

Top shared values (initial share)

- Whole families, multigenerational approaches
- Equity =
  - Trust & investment in those who are most impacted (poor, communities of color) by thinking out of the box/taking risks related to the status quo in our processes, access, & outcomes
  - Focus on racial, economic, & geographic equity in strategies, policies, and practice
- Quality =
  - Equity of outcomes, for whole family (reflecting who's being served), challenging who we see as experts (quality according to whom?)
  - Culturally competent (appropriate? responsive?) early childhood programs make a difference for children
- Take risks for real solutions that will work. Lead with honesty/integrity & operate with candor, urgency, & transparency
- Full investment - "don't shortchange our babies & children" + sustainable business that supports early childhood programs
- Flexibility & parent-directed/chosen services

After the meeting, the additional values identified by planning team members were grouped. All the identified values have been grouped below.

Additional shared values:

- Every single child/Child-centered
- Responsiveness, alignment collaboration, and coordination of systems & programs
- State systems that support local/community-centered & based efforts
Begin to establish a shared vision
Participants worked in groups of 3-6 and each group will create a vision statement, groups shared their initial thinking. Two visions statements emerged. One focused on a vision for children and families in the PN-3 space. The other focused on how a Coalition of Coalition would work together on behalf of children and families

Vision for PN-3 children & their families:

- All children born or raised in Minnesota will build a foundation during early childhood (PN-3) to achieve their full potential in life (Jane’s suggestion from the Coalition for Babies)
- All Minnesota children meet health and developmental milestones at age three
- Every infant and toddler in Minnesota will reach their full potential
- Families are supported to provide best possible future for their young children
- All children & families have the supports to reach their full potential in life
- Healthy communities, attainable well-being, inclusive, uplifting, eliminating systemic racism

Mission for how PN-3 planning group work together:

- Not recreating what exists, be able to speak with a singular voice, and connecting with other initiatives that are underway

Other:

Potential Operating Principles (Jane from Coalition for Babies):

- Develop or use best practices that combine knowledge of science, the experience of practitioners & the wisdom of communities
- Treat development in holistic context (health, early learning, families support, early intervention) that embraces whole child, whole family, and community in a cultural context
- Use a public health lens that recognizes social, economic, and political determinants of health and incorporates promotion, prevention, and intervention strategies

Next Steps
In July the shared values, principles and vision will be solidified. The PN-3 planning team will begin identifying PN-3 policies, systems and non-systems that work well and don’t work well in MN.