

# Maryland SICC

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**SICC/LICC Joint Meeting**  
**June 4, 2020**  
**10:00am to 12:30pm**  
**Minutes**

**Attendance**

**Members:**

Valerie Ashton-Thomas, Anna Benshoof, Cynthia Bouchard, Marcella Fraczkowski, Elizabeth Hall, Mai Hall, Jennifer Harwood, Brenda Hussey-Gardner, Mary LaCasse, Cecilia Leger, Cynthia Lessner, Michelle McCoy, Kristin Murphy, FloJean Speck, Michelle Steelman, Christy Tirrell-Corbin, Gloria Valentine, Anna Marie Wilms Floet, Peaches Wilson

**Guests:**

Wendy Baber, Janine Bacquie, Beth Boyle, Bonnie Bricker, Katherine Brown, Crystal Collins, Kathleen Connors, Deneice Crites, M Dennis, Heather Duerr, Faith Fischel, Tara Finkle, Karen Frank, Dawn Fraser, Angela Gebert, Delegate Jim Gilchrist, Nancy Gregory, Cheryl Hamlin, Desiree Hartmann, Michelle Henry, Nancy Hiltabrand, Lisa Jarboe, Christina Keeney, Brooke Kimbrell, Katherine Klein, Stephen Liggett-Creel, Paul Lipkin, Beverly Lyles, Tanya Malveaux, Lauren Mangrum, Mary Manning Falzarano, Debra Metheny, Patricia Muldowney, Tatiana Owens, Tory Pegram, Terri Ridenour, Darlene Schmidt, Erin Simmons, Irene Slevein, Terri Socha, Toni Stone, Dan Szczepaniak, Tia West

**Staff:**

Pam Miller, Janette Guerra, Shelley Downs, Marsye Kaplan, Sharice Lane

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NOTE: To allow maximal time for our guest presenters and to minimize the length of a virtual meeting, content marked with an asterisk (\*) will be posted under Additional Resources on the SICC webpage for your review prior to the meeting. Presenter handouts and recommended readings will also be posted in this location. <http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/programs/Pages/Special-Education/sicc/index.aspx>

- I. Welcome, Remarks & Introductions: Brenda Hussey-Gardner (10:00-10:05am)
- II. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes: Brenda Hussey-Gardner (10:05-10:10am)
  - A. The minutes from the April 2020 SICC meeting were approved with one correction to be made (Mai Hall to be included on the attendance list).
- III. SICC Report: Brenda Hussey-Gardner\*
- IV. Presentations

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A. Paul Lipkin, MD: Developmental Surveillance and Screening and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP):  
Where We Were, Where We Are, and Where We Are Going (10:10-11:00am)

- The presentation can be found at [Lipkin Developmental Screening and the AAP](#)
- Notes:
  - Majority of children are being screened; however almost a third are not
  - AAP made guidelines to direct pediatricians to prepare others (other medical/office staff) to administer the developmental screens. Want to continue the adoption of multi-disciplinary screen administration
  - Time limitation, as a barrier, has dropped off dramatically recently
  - Need to get kids beyond the screenings and receiving services
  - Dec 2019/Jan 2020 - AAP delivered update on developmental screenings guidelines (include link to PDF in minutes)
  - AAP has worked with DoE to ensure HIPAA and FERPA are not violated; frequently collaborate with other organizations especially nurse organization (mixed bag with family practitioners)
- Resources:
  - The STAR Center
  - CDC Developmental Milestones app
  - Dr. Lipkin can be reached by email at the following: [lipkin@kennedykrieger.org](mailto:lipkin@kennedykrieger.org)

B. Kay Connors, MSW: ECMH Considerations During the Global COVID-19 Pandemic (11:00-11:50am)

- The presentation can be found on the [State Interagency Coordinating Council's](#) website
- Kay Connors can be contacted by email at [kconnors@som.umaryland.edu](mailto:kconnors@som.umaryland.edu)

How can SICC move forward with the information presented in the two presentations?  
Please email Brenda if you have additional suggestions for next steps.

- C. Mary LaCasse, MS, Ed.: Statewide Home Visiting
- Statewide Home visiting survey will be sent after the meeting
  - 2020, updated needs assessment (the most recent assessment occurred in 2010)
  - Provide history of needs assessment and data collection

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- Plan to have virtual needs assessments including parents, early carers, and early childhood stakeholders
- Share with any families who will be able to participate in survey

Delegate Jim Gilchrist is participating in the meeting. Brenda will contact Delegate Gilchrist again about representing as the legislative member for the council.

V. Division of Early Childhood Updates: Cyndi Lessner\*

- No update was provided during this meeting

VI. Division of Early Intervention and Special Education Services (DEI/SES) Early Childhood Updates: Pam Miller and Janette Guerra (11:50am-12:20pm)  
Updates

1. The revisions of the preschool component of the IEP PLAAF will be postponed;
2. Adjusting the model for providing technical assistance, to include Regional Virtual TA meetings;
3. Beginning July 1, will be adding a tracker feature for VLBW families through the IFSP;
4. Moving forward with more features for the Online IFSP such as feedback for referral sources, etc.

Marcella Franczkowski, Assistant State Superintendent

[Continuum of Teaching and Learning during COVID-19 and Beyond](#)

1. State will be moving forward to Level 2 on the Recovery Plan for “re-opening the state economy”
  - a. There are multiple stages within each phase
  - b. MSDE will continue to support the health and safety for students and families
2. MITP: [Recovery Efforts to Support a Continuum of IFSP Service Delivery during COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond](#)
3. Will continue to welcome statements from SICC when releasing plans about moving forward in recovery planning
4. Recognition of Dr. Pamela Miller, 26 years of service to MSDE

VII. Wrap-Up & Adjournment (12:20-12:30pm)

- A. The meeting adjourned at 12:46pm.
- B. October 8, 2020 at 1-3:30pm will be the first SICC meeting of the 2020-2021 school year.