

COMMISSION ON CHILD CARE

Top Policy Priorities Presented to the Health and Human Services Committee of the County Council October 16, 2024

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Overview:

The mission of the Commission on Child Care is to advise the County Executive and County Council on the development, implementation, and effectiveness of government policies, programs, and services that enhance community support for quality, affordable and accessible child care.

FY25 Commission on Child Care Top Priorities

The Commission will advance its mission in FY25 through a focus on the following priorities:

Priority 1:

Develop recommendations in line with County efforts to support the County's child care system with a specific focus on equitable access and affordability for families.

Priority 2:

Identify best practices to improve, recruit, retain, and expand the evolving early care and education workforce by hosting collaborative events, collecting data, and providing recommendations to inform and guide stakeholders.