



**San Mateo County Child Care Partnership Council
Quality Committee
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 5, 2022
Meeting at 101 Twin Dolphin Drive, Redwood City, CA, 94065 and via Zoom**

CCPC Members Present: Cheryl Oku, Liz Scully (Co-Chair)

Members of the Public: Andrea Burnett, Mary Browning, Edirle Menezes (Co-Chair), Marchelle Moten

Staff/Minutes: Sarah Kinahan

1. Call to Order (Edirle Menezes)

Edirle called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm.

2. Approval of Quality Committee Meeting Minutes from June 2, 2022, and Agenda for October 5, 2022, Meeting (Edirle Menezes)

- Moved by: Liz Scully Seconded by: Andrea Burnett
- In Favor: Unanimous

3. Review of Rate & Quality Workgroup Recommendations and Implications for Local Work and Advocacy (Edirle Menezes & Liz Scully)

Edirle shared an overview of the Rate & Quality Workgroup’s Executive Summary Report and their four recommendations. The workgroup report says any quality standards need to center on child outcomes and be family centric. Edirle also shared some Quality Counts updates:

- The State is still determining quality standards or criteria for Quality Counts.
- First 5 CA will no longer be using ratings for IMPACT.
- CSPP Block Grants will still use a QRIS matrix.
- The State’s Master Plan talks about tiering rates based on teacher qualifications.

Liz shared some of the slides from the Cost Model developed by P5 Fiscal Strategies, focusing on the differences in family child care rates between reimbursement rates and true cost of quality care. For example, \$54K per infant is the true cost in the Bay Area and currently family child care providers are getting \$13K. Providing a living wage is one of the key drivers of quality and cost of care. Liz noted that when providers were surveyed, they undervalued themselves and the true cost of quality care.

Next Steps:

- Provide input to the State on the quality standards that should be used for rating matrix tiers. We want the increases in rating level to be fair and equitable and accessible.
 - Edirle will share a recent report and video from the Policy Equity Group with alternative ideas for revising the QRIS.
 - How can we measure a program’s readiness to use quality money to make positive change? Not only about rewarding programs that are exhibiting “quality” but rather about raising quality.
- Determine if the State will implement new rates at a state, regional or county level.



4. Confirm meeting schedule for 2022-23 (Edirle Menezes)

The group confirmed their desire to meet on the same day as CCPC. The next committee meeting will be November 28 at 9am. Agenda topics will include: the Inclusion Matrix and updates on Quality Counts and options for local implementation.

5. Adjournment

Edirle adjourned the meeting at 3:00 pm.