

ECEC – Comparison of Federal and State Legislation

Federal Legislation – State Advisory

North Dakota – 2009 Legislation

Council Responsibilities

Council Duties

<p>Conduct a periodic statewide needs assessment concerning the quality and availability of early childhood education and development programs and services for children from birth to school entry, including an assessment of the availability of high quality pre-kindergarten services for low-income children in the State.</p>	<p>Conduct a needs assessment.</p>
<p>Identify opportunities for, and barriers to, collaboration and coordination among Federally-funded and State-funded child development, child care, and early childhood education programs and services, including collaboration and coordination among State agencies responsible for administering such programs.</p>	<p>Review the delivery of early childhood education in this State.</p> <p>Review opportunities for public and private sector collaboration in the delivery of early childhood education in this State.</p>
<p>Develop recommendations for increasing the overall participation of children in existing Federal, State, and local child care and early childhood education programs, including outreach to underrepresented and special populations.</p>	
<p>Develop recommendations regarding the establishment of a unified data collection system for public early childhood education and development programs and services throughout the State.</p>	
<p>Develop recommendations regarding statewide professional development and career advancement plans for early childhood educators in the State.</p>	<p>Review early childhood education standards and propose revisions to the standards as needed.</p>
<p>Assess the capacity and effectiveness of 2- and 4-year public and private institutions of higher education in the State toward supporting the development of early childhood educators, including the extent to which such institutions have in place articulation agreements, professional development and career advancement plans, and practice or internships for students to spend time in a Head Start or prekindergarten program.</p>	
<p>Make recommendations for improvements in State early learning standards and undertake efforts to develop high-quality comprehensive early learning standards, as appropriate.</p>	

	Develop a comprehensive plan governing the delivery of early childhood education in this State.
	Provide a biennial report regarding its activities to the governor and the legislative council.