Home Visiting Advisory Committee Meeting

June 12, 2025





- Celebrate the opportunity to be in community together.
- Take a few minutes to get settled
- Self Care Permission







Public Attendees

- Welcome to the HVAC meeting. We are happy to have you.
- Meeting Participation Guidelines.
 - Only HVAC members can vote or respond to polls.
 - Save comments and questions for public portion of the meeting.
 - Any technical difficulties reach out Erin Kerrigan via private message.









Introductions

In the chat:

- Name
- Organization and Role
- Please put HVAC member, Guest, DCYF staff or Trio member after you name in your zoom square
 - Let us know if you need help changing how your name shows up.









Home Visiting Advisory Committee <u>Virtual Meeting Agenda</u>

June 12, 2025 – 9:00am to 12:30pm



Time	Activity/ Topic
9:00	Welcome and Introductions Community Engagement Activity GOAL/OUTCOME: Build community connection and relationships
	Legislative Update GOAL/OUTCOME: Members will hear the latest on bills and budget.
	HVSA Budget Update <u>GOAL/OUTCOME</u> : The committee will hear how HVSA is allocating state and federal funds.
11:00am	Stretch Break (20 Minutes)
	Updates GOAL/OUTCOME: The committee will hear updates on various topics and have an opportunity to ask questions, engage in a conversation or make decisions. 1. HVAC Sub-committees 2. FY26 Calendar dates a. July 17 th meeting
12:30	Closing Remarks/Adjourn Business Meeting









Community/Relationship Building

If you could be a character in any movie, what character and what movie would it be?

Or

If you invented an ice cream flavor, what ingredients would it have, and what would it be called?







LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

GOAL/OUTCOME Members will receive an update and have an opportunity to discuss







Challenging Legislative Session Completed

- Washington one of only states with four-year balanced budget requirement
- WA State Faced \$~16B Four-Year Budget Gap
- New Governor, new legislative leadership created uncertainty
- Ultimately, budget gap closed with mix of new revenue (over \$9B – highest in state's history) and cuts/delays to programs/services



Adopted Budget Included Nearly \$1B in Savings from cuts/delays to Early Learning

- Delay of expansion of eligibility for Working Connections Child Care to 75% of State Median Income to July 1, 2029;
- Delay of the state preschool entitlement to the 2030-31 school year;
- A one-year delay for the child care center rate increases for programs serving children in Working Connections Child Care
- Pause of Transitional Kindergarten enrollment due to rising costs/popularity



Not all bad news....

- Nearly \$100 million in new Capital funding for the Early Learning Facilities Fund, including \$51 million for competitive grants, \$9 million for minor renovation grants and \$3 million for the new Emergency Fund created by legislation led by SEWA and the Early Learning Facilities coalition we lead.
- \$383.7 million to fund the Collective Bargaining Agreement for Family Child Care providers.
- State preschool providers will see a \$13.9 million investment to support a 5% rate increase for full-day slots and a nearly \$4 million investment for 250 new full-day slots.



Realities

- Statewide program spending is outpacing revenue growth
- Lawmakers sought to close a \$16M budget shortfall over 4 years
- Budget writers sought to capture underspend and achieve savings
- DCYF saw cuts to multiple program areas including Home Visiting









Home Visiting Services Account:

The HVSA has underspend for FY 2025 (current year):

- Some contracts do not completely spend for various reasons (example: staffing shortages)
- DCYF chose not to expand services until after rate setting
- Delays in the timeline for rate setting resulted in underspend

This underspend is one-time. DCYF cannot set contracts for more money than we have appropriated.







Final budgets:

- State Fiscal Year 2025 (Current Year): \$ 1.25M in true underspend. No impact.
- State Fiscal Year 2026 (Next Fiscal Year starting July 1):
 - General Fund State: There is a reduction of \$1.5M in the HVSA budget from the SFY25 budget.
 - Dedicated Cannabis Fund: There is a 10% reduction in the Dedicated Cannabis Fund.
 - TANF: There is no change to total available TANF funding.
 - MIECHV: There is an approximately 6% increase in MIECHV funding for SFY26
- State Fiscal Year 2027 (July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027): same funding in SFY27 as in SFY26







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PROGRAM & BUDGET UPDATE

GOAL/OUTCOME Members will receive an update and have an opportunity to discuss







HVSA Budget/Contracts for SFY26

- DCYF shared a communication with LIA's last Friday.
 - HVSA Budget
 - What it means.
 - What they can expect
 - LIA contracts







Overview of the State Budget

- State Fiscal Year 2025 (Current Year): There will be a reduction within the current year budget of \$1.25M. This reduction will be funding that was underspent from the allocated/proviso \$1M and prior year underspend (HVSA account balance). There is NO impact on HVSA services for this reduction.
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What does this mean?

As a result of this budget reduction, which is about 10% of the overall state funding HVSA budget. As a result, DCYF has been planning for the implementation of these reductions based on the following principles:

- Minimize service disruptions to families
- Support/stabilize LIA operations and community impact
- Implement standardized caseloads
- Adjust LIA contracts, if possible based on availability of funds and informed by performance







What does this mean?

- Reduction in DCYF budget in administrative and infrastructure supports.
 - We expect to maintain much of the model specific and CQI supports, foundational trainings and data supports.
 - Removal of performance payments







What you can expect?

- By June 2nd, DCYF will provide most LIAs with their SFY26 Pre-Contract Questionnaire's and Budget forms
- For MIECHV funded programs, LIAs will see a budget increase using the rates informed approach. Budget increases will depend on how far an LIA is right now from the rate; with greater increases for those further away.
- Standardized Caseloads for PAT and NFP: Parents as Teachers will have a caseload of no more than 18 families per parent educator. Nurse-Family Partnership will continue at 25 clients per nurse home visitor.







SFY26 LIA Performance and Finance Updates

- Loss of 3 PAT Contracts (primarily MIECHV funded with some TANF and GFS)
- Performance Reviews → LIA success
 - 9 programs with long-term performance issues all collaborating on performance improvement plans, expecting successful resolution by December 31, 2025
 - 9 programs addressing short-term performance issues, most will resolve by June 30, 2024
- Review of Performance and Funding → Systems/DCYF Priorities
 - Address long-standing insufficient funding for some LIAs
 - MIECHV increases informed by regional rates
 - Right sizing some LIA slots aligned with DCYF funding (at request of LIAs)
 - Focus contracts with Tribes/Sovereign Nations on preserving and filling slots for tribal communities
 - Policy discussions with DSHS on TANF home visiting low CSO referrals have influenced enrollment patterns (low) for 4 LIAs







What About System Contracts

- Most of our system contracts will see reductions.
- Some data system contracts increased due to user fee increases.
- Some contracts are still being negotiated and finalized.
- Share outcome and impacts at our meeting in July.







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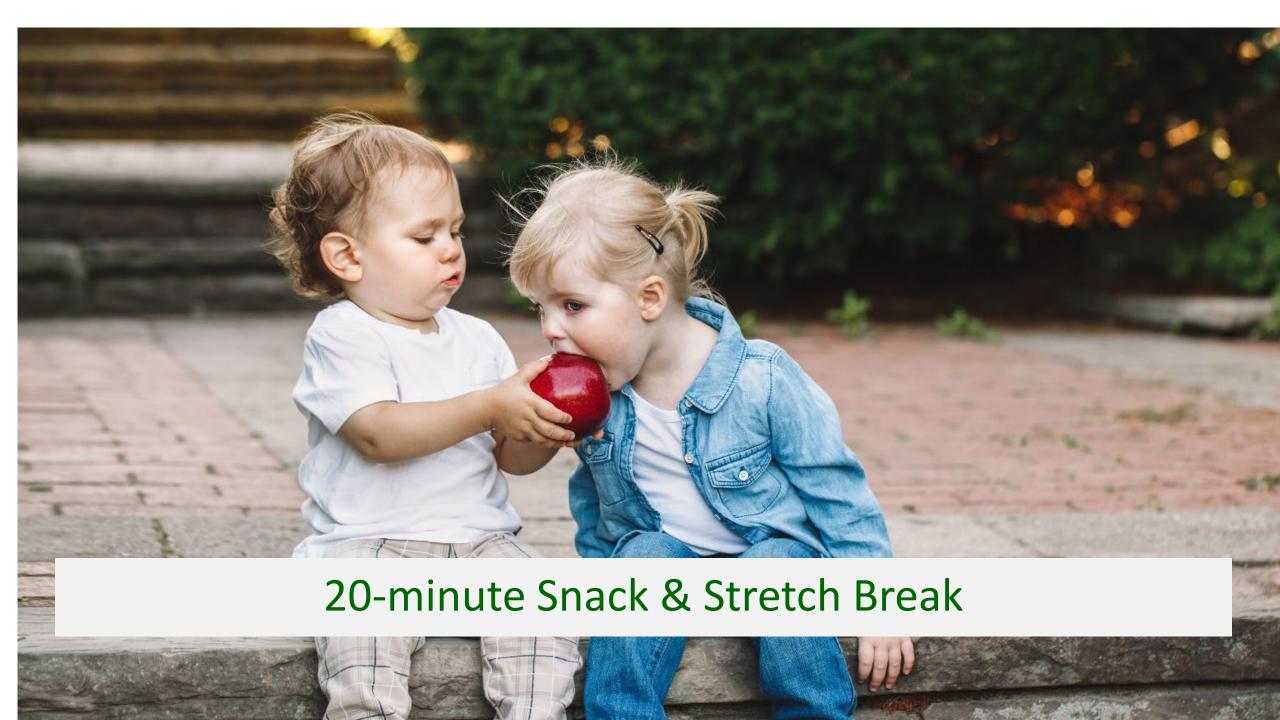


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UPDATES

GOAL/OUTCOME Members will receive updates.







Data Subcommittee Update







Workforce Subcommittee Update







True Cost Update







Subcommittee Planning for FY26

- Reassess interest in participating.
- Give opportunities for people to shift if interested.
- Ensure we have a mix of perspectives in each subcommittee.
- Give you time to complete a survey in the meeting.







HVAC SFY26 Planning







Suggested Meeting Schedule for SFY25

- July 17, 2025, 9-12:30pm
- October 9, 2025, 9-2pm
- December 18, 2025, 9-2pm
- February 19, 2026, 9-2pm
- April 16, 2026, 9-2pm
- June 11, 2025, 9-2pm







July Meeting Agenda

This will be a meeting to discuss and make decisions on the topics below.

- Membership & Recruitment
 - Who do current members represent?
 - Who are we missing?
 - What about LIAs?
 - How does HVAC want to leverage their position?
- Focus areas for SFY26
 - HVSA Data
 - HVAC recommendations
 - Other topics
- Budget/Contracts Update







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Thank You!

Special Meeting on July 17, 2025, 9am-12:30pm