

Project Name: HB 2556

Community-Based Training Model

Status Update – January 2021

Project Summary: Develop a community-based training that will meet the equivalent in licensing for roles that need an initial certificate (center assistant teachers and licensed family home teachers) or short certificate (center lead teachers and family home licensees) as it relates to HB 2556.

Project Health (Risk/Caution/On Track)	
Scope	On Track
Schedule	On Track
Resources	On Track

This Month, Accomplishments Included:

- Community-Based Training:
 - Held meeting with group Jan. 19, 2021, identified training program outline, reviewed summary from stakeholder group calls, identified next steps.
 - Identified content gaps in the Community-Based Training when reviewing Child Care Basics and Enhancing Quality of Early Learning, began working with DCYF training partners to fulfill this need.
- Community-Based Training Pilot:
 - Explored ideal candidates for pilot participants.
 - Identified communications and resources needed for pilot.
- Community Feedback Opportunities:
 - Held 1:1 calls with stakeholder groups to get feedback about workgroup process and desires for the community-based pathway.
 - Held focus group webinar with members of the early learning community on Jan. 21, 2021, to seek input about the community-based training option.
 - Feedback will be incorporated and listed on website once all focus groups are complete.

Risks:

- Funding is needed for pilot and implementation of the community-based training option.
- Impacts of COVID-19 to development timeline.

Coming Up:

- Continue developing the design of training and graphics.
 - Review existing training content in February 2021 to inform content gaps.
- Next meeting for this consultation group will be in March 2021.
- DCYF will share feedback summary from focus groups and workgroup on website in February.



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