

2025 CCRC Policy Priorities

The Child Care Resource Center (CCRC) is a non-profit child and family service agency serving the San Fernando, Santa Clarita and Antelope Valley regions of Los Angeles County, and the entirety of San Bernardino County. Our policy priorities support the agency's vision of strong and resilient children and families living in thriving communities. CCRC strives to advance equitable policy solutions that uplift the well-being of all children and families. In partnership, with various coalitions, community-based organizations, and state departments we aim to disrupt systemic barriers of historically marginalized, under-resourced, and underserved communities. These barriers include, but are not limited to, lived experiences, poverty, race/ethnicity, language, gender, social-economic status, and community of residence.

Connect children and families to the right services at the right time

- Sustain and expand child care subsidies to broaden access and equity for all of California's families. Advocate for funding to preserve and increase flexible options for working families in our 24/7 economy.
- Advocate for enhanced timely family support, ensuring access to streamlined services for raising healthy families through existing infrastructures (e.g. child care subsidy, family resource centers).
- Develop appropriate emergency response models for families experiencing crisis including those related to homelessness, domestic violence, poverty, adverse health conditions (e.g., asthma, malnutrition), children engaged in the child welfare system or those accessing mandated supporting resources including unaccompanied minors, and children and families of refugee/immigrant status.

Build the capacity of the people, organizations, and groups that impact child, family, and community success

- Work collaboratively with CCRC's statewide partners to align a broad array of supportive services for families with young children who are enrolled in child care and home visiting. Support services are intended to meet the needs of children, families, and the early childhood workforce which include but are not limited to developmental screenings, behavioral health/managed care, nutrition, health care access and trauma informed and responsive practices.

- Support a continuum of care and early learning programs through a mixed delivery system inclusive of all types of providers to meet the diverse needs of California’s families including full day and full year options and a robust consumer education system to inform families of their options.
- Support programs that create career pathways for the child care workforce through training, coaching, virtual apprenticeship models and support inclusive of all providers (e.g. home-based child care).

Increase and align public investments for whole child/whole family services

- Advocate for the implementation of a single child care reimbursement structure for all provider types to reflect the current cost of care. Continue to support reform efforts to the reimbursement rate model to ensure all providers are adequately compensated in a sustainable mixed delivery system. Support the expansion of prevention and early intervention infrastructure, including paid family leave, home visiting, developmental screenings, and timely and relevant services for developmental delays.
- Engage parents and child care providers on existing and proposed programs and educate them on family/child rights and responsibilities.

Advance agency growth and sustainability through economic investments, administrative excellence, and financial responsibility

- Seek opportunities across programs to maximize federal eligibility and resources that reflect the needs of California’s families.
- Promote contract structures and regulatory guidance to promote adequate resources for program excellence and comprehensive services for families.
- Advocate for public investments in a system that supports the whole family, parent resilience, and parent-child strength-based relationships. Continue to build and sustain collaborative relationships with state departments to actively provide policy guidance and recommendations.