

# Common Agenda

## Washington State Essentials for Childhood

### March 2015

#### Vision

*All children in Washington State thrive in safe, stable, and nurturing relationships and environments*

#### Commitment

*To promote safe, stable, and nurturing relationships in families, communities, and early learning and school environments. By 2025 this leads to measurable and significant improvements in children's health, development and education outcomes and eliminating equity gaps. Our initial work focuses primarily on our state's youngest and most vulnerable children and their families.*

#### Shared Measures

- Kindergarten readiness
- Universal dev. screening
- School suspensions
- Attachment to parents
- ACEs prevalence
- Abuse/neglect
- Social/emotional support
- Caregiver/child relationship
- Domestic/family violence
- Homelessness
- Community capacity
- Parental substance abuse

#### Cross Cutting Strategies for Change

- Educate and motivate key stakeholders on brain science, ACEs, and resilience
- Support community ownership, impact, and action
- Spark innovative policy and financing solutions
- Transform systems and services to prevent and mitigate the impact of trauma
- Align systems to enable family-centered service provision
- Improve data sharing and use across systems

#### Principles

**Bold,  
Innovative**

**Population-  
Level, Statewide**

**Addresses  
Inequities**

**Cross-  
Sector**

**Assets-  
Based**

**Evidence-  
Driven**

**Prevention  
Focused**

**Community  
Informed**

**Builds On  
Existing Work**



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