

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-045

Authorizing Application to the State of Oregon for Multnomah County to Serve as a Community-Based Coordinator ("HUB") of Early Learning Services.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. The Board has a long history of support for a strong County role in the planning and development of early learning supports for children and families.
- b. On June 28, 2011 Oregon Governor John A. Kitzhaber signed Senate Bill 909 that established an Early Learning Council to assist the Oregon Education Investment Board in overseeing a unified system of early childhood services including the funding and administration of those services.
- c. On March 6, 2012 Oregon Governor John A. Kitzhaber signed House Bill 4165 mandating the establishment of community-based coordinators of early learning services ("HUB") and directing the Early Learning Council to report to the legislature regarding the roles of those coordinating organizations and the criteria for selecting them.
- d. On February 4, 2013 the State of Oregon Early Learning Council presented a report to the legislature describing the characteristics, functions, and desired competencies of community-based coordinators of early learning services and a process by which they could be certified.
- e. From the initial creation of The Early Childhood Care and Education Council of Multnomah County in 1995 to the current discussion inspired by the State's initiative, Multnomah County has continued to engage a broad range of partners that includes; communities of color, faith communities, governmental jurisdictions, foundations, neighborhood associations, in coordination with the county's own interdepartmental efforts to build systems providing excellent services to the youngest residents of Multnomah County.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. Multnomah County will submit an application to the State of Oregon Early Learning Council for certification as a community-based coordinator ("HUB") of early learning services.
2. Multnomah County will lead a diverse group of stakeholders to develop a vision, strategies and work plan for aligning and enhancing services to young children and their families in Multnomah County.
3. This planning effort will be focused on the Governor's 40-40-20 goals.

4. Multnomah County will engage and align Coordinated Care Organizations (CCO's) in the development of an early learning system through joint needs assessment, case management, cross governance and developmental screening.
5. Multnomah County will ensure Early Learning Services focus on Equity and Empowerment for children and families served. Early Learning Services will address the achievement gap in our schools by focusing on children in poverty and children of Color.
6. Multnomah County will integrate and align resources and services for highest risk children.
7. The Multnomah County Board of County Commissioners will evaluate annual "HUB" reports to provide oversight and accountability in the provision of early learning services.

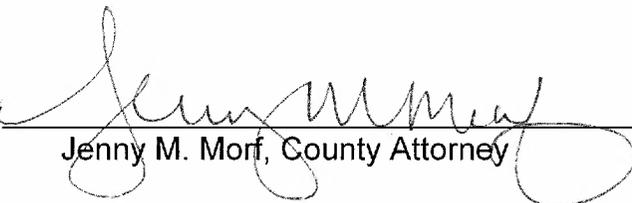
ADOPTED this 25th day of April, 2013.



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