

**California's Early Learning Quality Improvement System (CAEL QIS)
Advisory Committee**

Purpose:

The purpose of the Early Learning Quality Improvement System is to improve outcomes for children and reduce California's school readiness gap by improving the quality of our early learning and care programs.

Model for Early Learning Quality Improvement System

Child Outcomes =	Program Process Quality +	Program Structural Quality
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CAEL QIS Advisory Committee Scope of Work

Year One – 2009

Quarter One – January-March

Advisory Committee Meeting – **March 23**

Focus: What We Have

National, State (RAND PreK), and Local Quality Efforts

California's Policy, Program, and Resource Information – Public and Private

Process – Establish Advisory Committee process and Subcommittee structure and meetings

Quarter Two – April-June

Advisory Committee Meeting – **June 10**

Focus: What We Want

Desired Outcomes for Children and for Programs Serving Children

CA QRIS Principles and Quality Rating Scale Options - Presentations and Discussion

Process:

- *Research updates and Information from other States and Pioneer CA Counties*

Quarter Three – July-September

Advisory Committee Meeting – **August 26**

Focus: What We Want in a Quality Rating Structure

Preliminary Recommendations for Quality Rating Structure - Presentations and Discussion

Process:

- *Report on work plans from Subcommittees*

Quarter Four – October-December

Advisory Committee Meeting – **October 29**

Focus: What We Want in a Quality Rating Structure

Preliminary Recommendations for Quality Rating Structure - Presentations and Discussion

Process:

- *Reports from Subcommittees*
- *Review draft Interim Report*

Advisory Committee Meeting – **December 2**

Process:

- *Review final draft of preliminary report for December submission*
- *Review and discuss information presented by Pennsylvania Early Education Quality Rating and Improvement System*

Year Two – 2010

Quarter One

Advisory Committee Meeting – **March 2**

Focus: Discussion and recommendations of Program Supports and Incentives for:

- Workforce and Professional Development
- Parental Involvement and Stakeholder Engagement and Advocacy

Discuss setting up pilots for elements and measures of the Quality Rating Structure

Using:

- *Reports from other Subcommittees*
- *Research updates and information from other States*
- *County/Regional Input and Pilot (PoP/Flagships and more)*

Quarter Two

Advisory Committee Meeting – **June 16**

Focus: Discussion and recommendations of Program Supports and Incentives for:

- Data for Program Improvement and Research
- Funding Model Aligned with Quality Rating Structure

Discuss and approve pilot projects for elements and measures of the Quality Rating Structure

Using:

- *Reports from Subcommittees*
- *Research updates and information from other States*
- *County/Regional Input and Pilot (PoP/Flagships and more)*

Quarter Three

Advisory Committee Meeting – **August 3**

Focus:

Reports and Recommendations from Public Hearings

Recommendations from Subcommittees, County/Regional Input and Pilots, and Researchers focused on quality rating and improvement system

Four Public Hearings will be scheduled in September to review and provide feedback on CAEL QIS recommendations.

Quarter Four

Advisory Committee Meeting – **November 3**

Focus: Next steps for Implementation with timeline and benchmarks for policy, program, pilot process for QRIS, resources/funding, and research.

Process:

Advisory Committee Meeting – **December 7**

Focus: *Final review of Final CAEL QIS Report for December submission to Governor and Legislature*