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Federal Update

- FY 24 Appropriations
- Preschool Resources from ED and HHS

Revised <u>Non-Regulatory Guidance on Serving Preschool Children Through Title I, Part A (Title I)</u> of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) that provides details about how states and local leaders can reach more young learners by using Title I funds to expand access to high-quality preschool.

<u>Early School Success Dear Colleague Letter</u> that supports the Department's two track Raise the Bar early learning strategy to expand access to high-quality preschool with Title I funds and ensure kindergarten is a more sturdy bridge between the early years and early grades.

A <u>Dear Colleague Letter on Mixed Delivery Preschool</u> jointly released by the U.S. Department of Education and Department of Health and Human Services lifts up available federal funds to expand access to high-quality preschool through a variety of settings to meet the needs of young learners and their families.

- Update on MIECHV Notice of Funding Opportunities and matching funds

https://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs-impact/programs/miechv-reauthorization#new

- Overview of CCDBG Final Rule
- Final Rule: https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/03/01/2024-04139/improving-child-care-access-affordability-and-stability-in-the-child-care-and-development-fund-ccdf
- Office of Child Care resources: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/outreach-material/2024-ccdf-final-rule
- Child Care Aware of America overview:
 https://info.childcareaware.org/hubfs/WhatChangestoCCDFMeanforStates.pdf

Next call: April 2, 2024, 4:00 Eastern