

## The Nevada Registry Advisory Committee Purpose, Composition and Meeting Structure

### Purpose

The Nevada Registry Advisory Committee serves as a body to guide, advise and make recommendations concerning issues related to Nevada's professional development and training approval systems. The Committee operates in accordance with The Nevada Registry's Vision, Mission and Goals.

#### *Vision of The Nevada Registry*

Nevada's Early Care and Education professionals are empowered, well-educated, highly-skilled, valued, respected, and equitably compensated.

#### *Mission of The Nevada Registry*

The Nevada Registry supports and empowers Early Care and Education (ECE) professionals in Nevada to promote high quality Early Care and Education through recognition, professional development and educational growth.

#### *Goals of The Nevada Registry*

The Nevada Registry strives to:

- Raise the status of the ECE profession by honoring and recognizing the professional achievements of those working in the field
- Promote professional development
- Help ECE professionals achieve greater respect and appreciation for their invaluable work with young children
- Empower Nevada's providers to take responsibility for improving the quality of Early Care and Education
- Promote the achievement of state and national standards in Early Care and Education
- Encourage personal responsibility for actively pursuing professional and educational goals
- Identify and document professional achievement
- Collaborate with and unite partners to promote the vision, mission and goals of The Nevada Registry

## Composition of Committee

The Nevada Registry Advisory Committee is an advising body with a broad range of professional representation across the state. The Committee is comprised of representatives from Early Childhood Programs who guide the vision of The Nevada Registry.

Agency representatives are invited to participate based on the population represented (Higher Education, Center-Based Care, Home-Based Care, etc.) as well as the individual's connection to, and understanding of, the child care industry in Nevada. Members include, but are not exclusive to, at least one individual representing the following types of programs:

- Funding Agent
- Higher Education including 2 year and 4 year institutions
- State Department of Education/State Funded Pre-K
- Child Care Licensing (State and County)
- Statewide Early Childhood Scholarship Program
- Nevada Pre-K Standards
- Early Childhood Systems Expert
- Child Care Resource & Referral/Subsidy Contractors
- Head Start State Collaboration Office
- Licensed Center-Based Child Care Provider (Urban and Rural)
- Licensed Family Day Care
- Head Start/Tribal Child Care
- Child Care Institution
- Community Member at Large

Identified agencies have a standing position on the Committee. Positions on the Advisory Committee are voluntary, however, agency representatives are asked to commit to a minimum of a 2-year term\*. If an agency is unable to participate in accordance with the Member Agreement by maintaining representation on the Committee, another agency representing the same or similar population will be invited to join the committee.

*\* The Community Member at Large position is filled annually through an application process during November of each year. Applications are reviewed, and the member is selected by the Registry Advisory Committee Policy Subcommittee. The Community Member at Large serves a 1 year term.*

## Duties of Advisory Committee Members

- Provide guidance to The Nevada Registry Program Director
- Serve as an advocate for The Nevada Registry within the ECE community and at public hearings for Child Care Licensing and other Boards, Committees, etc. where the Registry is being discussed
- Act as a sounding board during the planning stages for new programs, services and miscellaneous activities of the Registry
- Help create policies and procedures that govern specific aspects of The Nevada Registry's Training Approval and Career Development systems
- Participate on project-specific subcommittee(s) of interest
- Serve on appeals panels when applicable

## Meeting Schedule and Location

The Advisory Committee corresponds primarily via email, however, formal face-to-face meetings are scheduled as deemed necessary by the Registry Program Director. In addition, one General Membership Meeting is held annually and independent subcommittees are formed annually to work on project-specific tasks. All meetings are scheduled by The Nevada Registry staff and typically occur at the Professional Development Center in Reno at 240 S. Rock Boulevard, Ste. #143.

## Reporting Structure

The Advisory Committee functions independently from the day to day operations of The Nevada Registry to provide feedback, input and recommendations to the Registry. The Nevada Registry has final decision making authority.