

COMMISSION ON CHILD CARE

"Our Children: Worth the Cost of Quality Child Care"

Wednesday, January 25, 2017/11:30 am to 1:00 pm, Executive Office Building Auditorium

I. Opening Video Presentation "Change the First Five Years and You Change Everything" *The Ounce of Prevention Fund*

II. Welcome

Edward Krauze, Chair, Commission on Child Care Rosalba Bonilla-Acosta, Vice Chair, Commission on Child Care

III. Panel Presentation and Discussion *Panelists* Maria Artola, Family Child Care Owner and Provider Marilyn C. Fleetwood, President, Academy Child Development Centers, Inc. Dayana Muniz, Parent & Family Support Worker, CentroNia *Panel Facilitator*

Lindsey Allard-Agnamba, Commission on Child Care

IV. Question and Answer Session with the Audience

V. Closing Video Presentation

"Don't Worry, I Got This" The Ounce of Prevention Fund

Commission on Child Care

The Commission on Child Care is comprised of a committed group of volunteers who are dedicated to raising awareness on issues involving quality, affordability and accessibility in the early care and education arena. Membership includes parents, center and family child care providers, and representatives from the business community, general public and government agencies with interests in child care. The Commission is supported through staff efforts from the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services.

Priorities for the Commission on Child Care 2016-2017

Priority 1: Working Parents Assistance Program

To increase accessibility and affordability of high quality child care for all working families, the commission will analyze policy options set forth by the WPA workgroup. Use this information and the recommendations from the strategic plan for early care and education to provide further recommendations to the County Executive and the County Council.

Priority 2: Child Care in Public Space

Examine the results of the CUPF internal audit as it applies to Child Care in Public Space and additional information from child care providers and families on experiences during the CUPF bid processes in the spring of 2016 and in the Spring of 2017. Create recommendations for the County Executive and the County Council informed by the community and by the strategic plan for early care and education.

Special thanks to Bar-T for generously providing lunch for this event