

Increasing Family Access & System Coordination Through Coordinated Eligibility and Enrollment (CEE)

**Episode 1 – The What and the Why?** 

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### What is CEE?



### Strategy for increasing coordination of programs/services within a fragmented early childhood system

- Is a system coordination effort, similar to program and eligibility alignment, coordination of funding, and building integrated data systems.
- Requires partnership across programs/services, with levels of collaboration ranging from communication, cooperation, coordination, collaboration, to integration.
- Can partner on a range of enrollment activities, from joint recruitment only to fully coordinated enrollment.

### Why Implement CEE?





Improve Family Access



Strengthen Collaboration



Efficient Use of Resources

### **Continuum of Program Enrollment Processes**









# Stay tuned for our next video – Episode 2

- Multiple Approaches to CEE
- Where to Begin
- Key Decisions

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Episode 2 – Multiple Approaches: Where to Begin & What to Consider?

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### Where to Begin Your CEE Journey





Step 1. Develop a Common Understanding



Step 2. Agree on Your Direction



Step 3. Map Your Route



Step 4. Start Your Journey

### **Key Decisions**



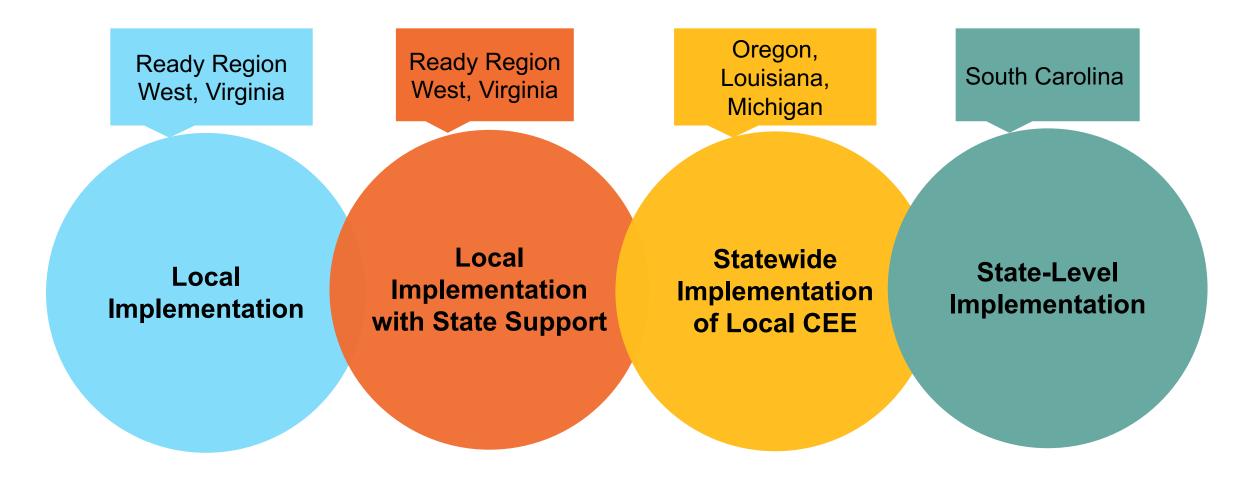
Which program enrollment processes?

Which programs/ providers (scope of coordination)?

Coordinated at what level(s) of governance (level of implementation)?

### Considering Levels of Governance When Planning for CEE









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- Key Facilitators & Barriers
- Other Important Things to Remember
- Don't Do it Alone

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Episode 3 – Facilitators & Barriers and Other Important Things to Remember

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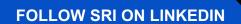














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### **Key Facilitators and Barriers**



Relationship-Building Sustained Funding

Champions

Supportive Leadership

### Important Things to Remember



### CEE...

- Is a system-building strategy that requires widespread community buy-in to plan for and implement
- Requires partners having a shared purpose, goal, and direction
- Takes an initial investment in relationship-building, time, and resources
- Benefits families, providers, and communities



### You Can't (and Shouldn't) Do This Alone



- Connect with program leads in your state or locality
- Identify local organizations that may be an ally, advocate, funder, or potential partner
- Seek experienced, qualified entities to support or consult with you along your journey



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