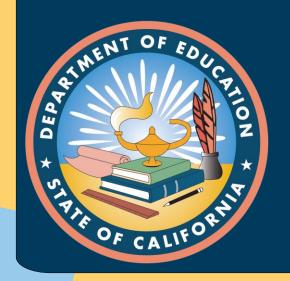
### Family Childcare Home Education Networks (FCCHENs) in Universal PreKindergarten (UPK)

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## UPK Mixed Delivery Workgroup Recommendations

- Assess existing workforce development funding sources and recommend changes to ensure funding can be used for preschool educators to earn college credits
- Supporting optional opportunities for family childcare home (FCCH) providers to earn units toward Child Development Permits
- Provide pathways for FCCHs to join CSPP Family Childcare Home Education Networks (FCCHENs)



## **UPK Mixed Delivery Recommendations: Provide pathways for FCCH providers to join FCCHENs**

- Providing recommendations and technical assistance to CSPP contractors on how to offer services through a FCCHEN
- Ensuring CSPP contractors and applicants are aware of expansion funding opportunities and to provide services through a CSPP FCCHEN
- Working with early learning and care infrastructure partners to communicate opportunities to join a FCCHEN to FCCH providers
- Modifying the CSPP Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS) Block Grant Request for Applications to include a stronger focus on FCCHENs



# Expansion of California State Preschool Program (CSPP) Family Childcare Home Education Networks (FCCHENs)

- Assembly Bill (AB) 51 (Statutes of 2024), if funded by the Legislature, would allow the California Department of Education (CDE) to, among other supports:
  - Provide technical assistance to prospective CSPP contractors, including private and FCCHENs, on how to meet California Code of Regulations, Title 5 (5 CCR) requirements
  - Develop early learning resources including best practices, information on statutes and regulations, instructions for applications, and more
  - Implement a three-year outreach, capacity building, training and technical assistance plan, including specific assistance for first-time CSPP contractors
  - Create a web page to centralize resources for more effective outreach and communication



### **UPK Mixed Delivery Planning Grant Round Three**

- Allows for grantees to provide educational reimbursements for college tuition costs associated with meeting the minimum requirements for the CSPP
- Specific focus on FCCH providers and community-based organizations (CBOs) through prioritizing, in this order:
  - 1. FCCH providers who do not currently operate within a CSPP contract and need the minimum Early Childhood Education (ECE) units to obtain the appropriate child development permit
  - 2. CBO CSPP teachers or FCCH CSPP providers who need to reach the Associate's degree level
  - 3. CBOs who do not have CSPP contracts and have staff who need to reach the minimum qualifications for CSPP



### California Educators Together (CET)



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### Universal PreKindergarten (UPK) Materials



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