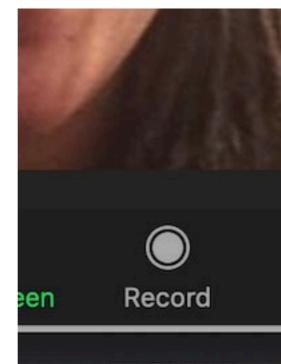
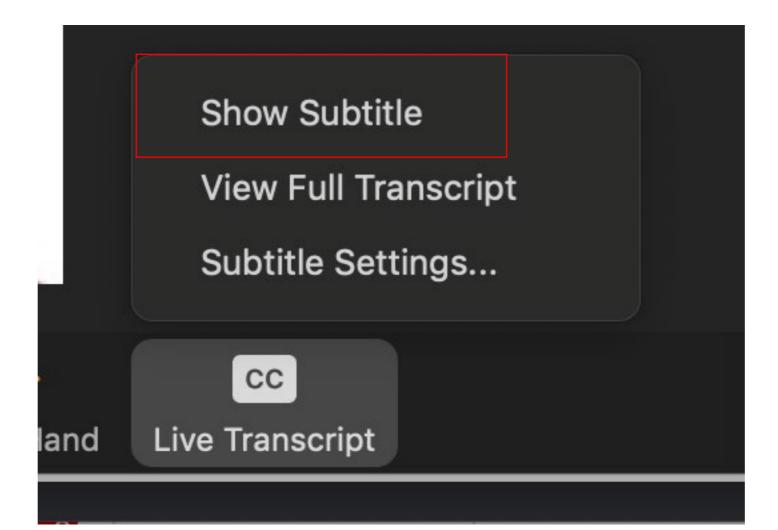
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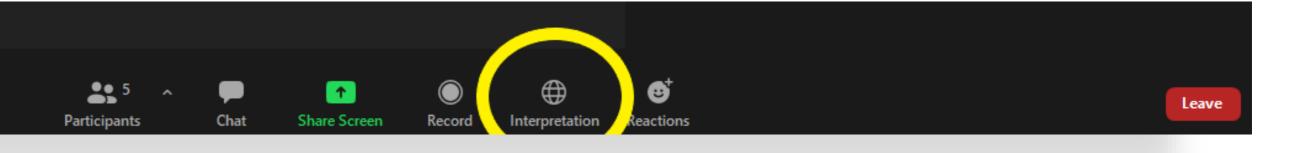


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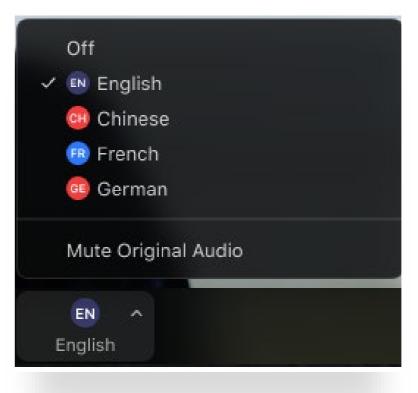




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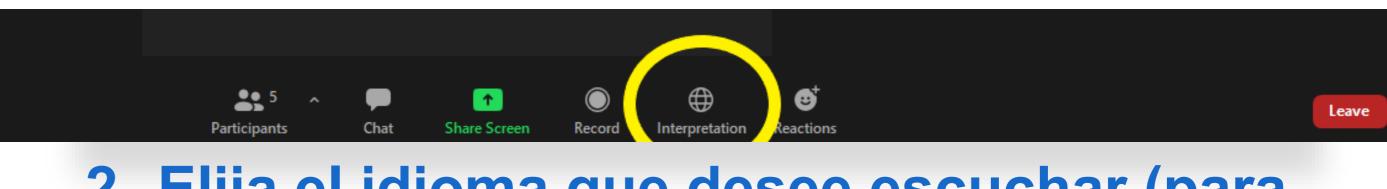
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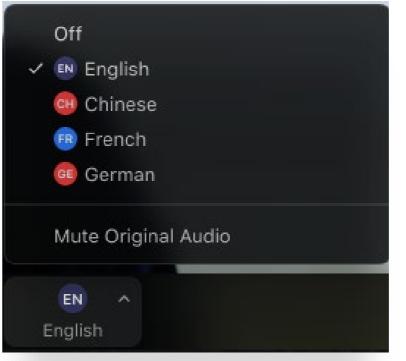
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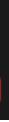


## 1. En las opciones, seleccione el símbolo de interpretación.

# 2. Elija el idioma que desee escuchar (para esta reunión, solo se ofrece interpretación al español).



# 3. Opcional: si solamente quiere escuchar el idioma interpretado, seleccione "Mute Original Audio"













# 3. 可选: 如想只听口译语言, 点击"原文音 频静音 (Mute Original Audio)"





# Early Childhood Policy Council Workforce Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, September 8, 2022 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm



### Making Sense of What's Coming Out of Washington DC & Sacramento: Policies Affecting the Early Childhood Workforce

September 8, 2022 Early Childhood Policy Council Workforce Advisory Committee





#### **Child Care Headlines**

Essential for strong thriving families & inclusive communities

Recognized by Congress & the President

*Almost* became an entitlement for everyone in 2021



# How child care policy is made

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The difference between federal and state actions, and

how child care policy is made through the:

- federal budget
- state budget
- federal legislation
- state legislation

## Federal Policy with State Impact

- . Child Care & Development Block Grant (CCDBG)
- . Head Start, Early Head Start
- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B and Part C
- . Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
- . Preschool Development Grants
- . Budget and Appropriations
- . "Reconciliation"

# State Policy with a Program Impact

- . Budget
- Eligibility policy and provider payment policy for child care assistance
- . Health & safety standards, and who follows what regulations and who enforces and how
- . Preschool & TK
- . QRIS & "quality initiatives"
- Professional development, training, & availability, and education requirements

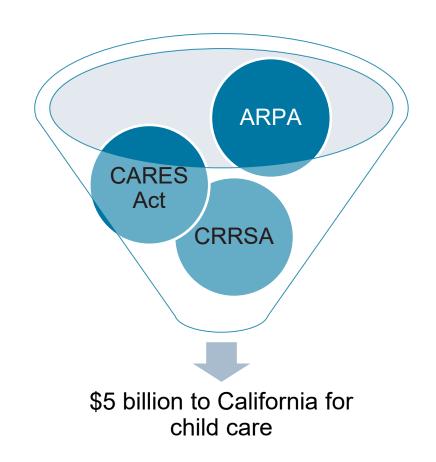


## What is happening - Washington DC

Past, present and future:

- Big investment, smart policy for child care
- Annual Appropriations
- Child and Adult Care Food Program
- Higher Ed student loan forgiveness

2020 & 2021 - Congress passed three fund bills that included child care relief funds, and funds were distributed to the states



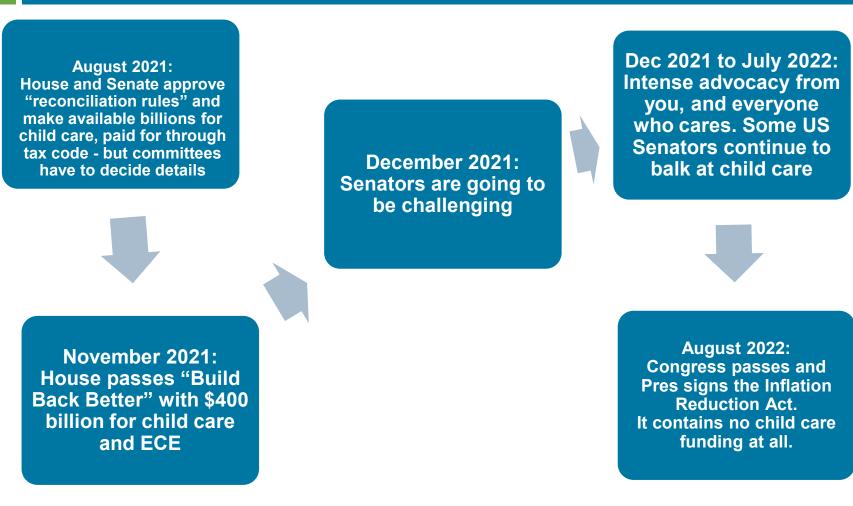
### The federal money paid for this in California

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- Increase Child Care Provider Wages
- Stipends for child care providers
- Retirement & Health Benefits for Child Care Providers United (CCPU) members
- Waive Family Fees
- Minor Renovation Grants
- Major Renovation Grants
- More vouchers for families
- Child Care Infrastructure Grants
- Workforce Development Grants



#### American Families Plan Becomes Build Back Better but then, what happened?



# What's next federal FY23 Appropriations

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Annual effort to fund Child Care and Development Block Grant, Head Start/Early Head Start, 0-5 Preschool Development Grants

- House and Senate Appropriations Committees said:
  - Child Care and Development Block Grant: an increase of \$1 billion
  - Head Start: an increase of \$1.4 billion (Senate side said \$1 billion)
  - Preschool Development Grants: \$350 million, an increase of \$60 million over current year
- Deadline: September 30
  - which they'll need to extend, because no one wants a government shut-down
  - election day also looms

# Child and Adult Care Food Program

#### **Child Nutrition Act**

- Includes school breakfast and lunch, summer nutrition, WIC, CACFP
- To be reauthorized every 5 years but last done in 2010
- House status

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- House Education and Labor Committee passed Healthy Meals Healthy Kids Act in July
- Next stop: full vote in the House?
- Senate status
  - Senate Agriculture Committee to make priority time for this?
  - Then, on to a full vote in the Senate?

# Forgiving student loans

Student debt relief/loan forgiveness announcement

August 24: Biden Administration announces targeted debt relief:

- \$20,000 for Pell Grant recipients
- \$10,000 for non-Pell
- Assorted eligibility details
- Application for relief to open in October

Public Service Loan Forgiveness proposal

- "Public Service Loan Forgiveness" is operated by U.S. Department of Education, approved by Congress
- Currently: ECE workforce is eligible if employed by a nonprofit organization or government entity
- Proposal: expand those who are eligible, including those working in for-profit programs and self-employed family child care

What are your questions?



#### What is happening - Sacramento

#### Past, Present and Future

- California added a year of school Transitional Kindergarten (TK) for 4 year olds
- Movement grows to include family child care, child care centers, and Head Start in the publicly-funded universal preschool program
- Child Care Providers United negotiates for stipends for all providers, and health insurance and retirement contributions for those participating in the subsidy system
- Minor renovations grants
- Major renovations grants
- Number of spaces available for subsidized child care *has grown a lot*

## State Policy with a Program Impact

- Budget
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- Health and safety standards and who follows what regulations and who enforces - and how
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### Legislative Women's Caucus members are child care champions

#### Supporting

- . Increased pay for child care providers
- . Health care and retirement plans for Child Care Providers United
- . Compensate child care providers even when families' can not attend
- . Fund state preschool
- . Waive family fees
- . Grants for child care programs and facilities



#### Quiz Time

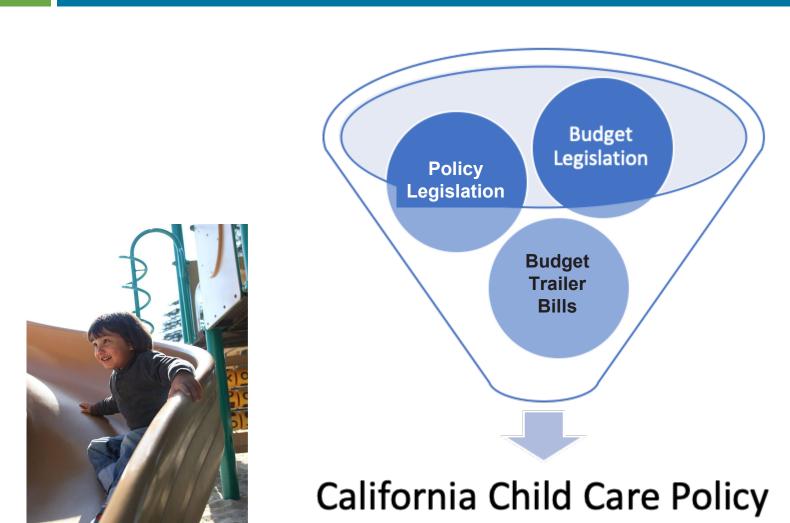


What's the difference between a budget bill and a policy bill?

#### Budget and Policy Bills - What's the Difference?



#### Every Year...



## Affordable Child Care Family Fees Act <u>AB 92</u> (Gómez Reyes)

- Implements an equitable family fee schedule starting July 1, 2023
- Ensures child care providers do not absorb the family fees waiver cost
- Ensures no reduction in spaces/vouchers on account of a reduction in family fees collected
- \* Family fees waiver extended for ALL families in the Budget FY 22-23



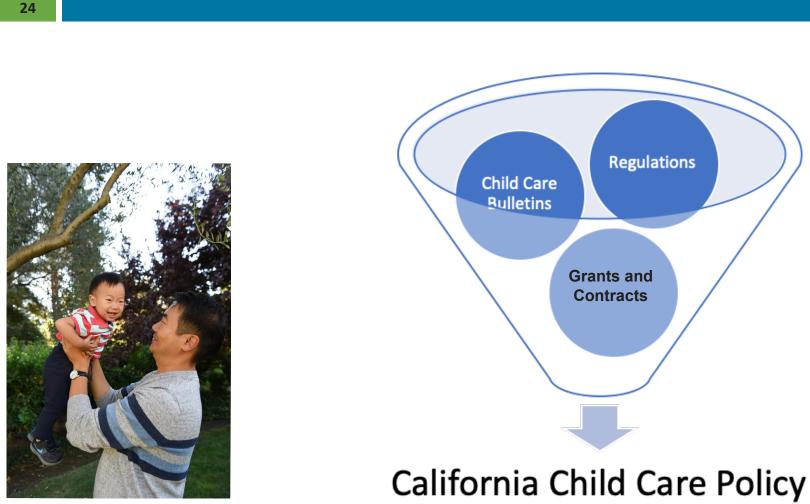
#### Universal Preschool Proposal (did not pass) <u>SB 976 (Leyva)</u>

- California State Preschool for all 3 & 4 year olds (regardless of income)
- Family child care homes and Head Start centers could be preschool providers
- Parents pay no fees





#### Other actions that impact child care programs



# **Bullet Point Outline**

#### Washington

#### **Recent past:**

 BBB - transformational child care provisions, but didn't pass

#### **Present:**

- Inflation Reduction Act (no child care \$)
- □ FY23 Appropriations
- □ CACFP action

#### Future:

- nonprofit child care professionals and family child care may be included in Public Service Loan Forgiveness
- (add in how to phrase that many may qualify for the forgiveness announced two weeks ago too)
- We aren't giving up on robust investments in child care

#### Sacramento

#### **Recent past:**

- Preschool for all, "mixed delivery" bill (didn't pass) what it means for workforce
- TK did pass (last year)

what it means for the workforce

DSS released minor renovation grant applications

#### Present:

- union is winning health care and retirement; advocates are struggling to get rates raised (they weren't this year)
- □ many new child care spaces are available
- □ State agencies are making their budgets now
- □ Major renovation grants coming soon

#### Future:

- legislators and even champions are losing sight of child care, relying on federal money, not making effort to increase state funding
- □ Infrastructure grants