MDG/PDG
Weekly Q&A Sessions
Agenda

• Introduction to VECF’s weekly Opportunities Ahead Q&A sessions
• COVID-19: VECF’s position statement and recordings of stakeholder calls and webinars for ECCE providers that provide guidance on financial resources
• Brief overview of the Preschool Development Grant B-5 (PDG) and Mixed Delivery Grants (MDG) opportunities
• New timeline and deadlines in the PDG letter of intent (LOI) and application process
• Questions from webinar participants
Mixed Delivery Grants (MDG)

• Mixed Delivery Grants will support public/private systems of preschool delivery with a focus on expanding the number of at-risk 3- and/or 4-year-old children served in high-quality private/community-based ECCE by:
  – building relationships to ensure coordinated community decision-making and effective use of resources;
  – increasing access to high quality ECCE in private/community-based (non-school-based) settings for at-risk 3- and 4-year-olds;
  – improving quality, including through providing CLASS observations and related quality improvement support in publicly funded classrooms; and
  – engaging families in communication and decision making

• Mixed Delivery Grants are intended to increase the capacity of communities to serve at-risk 3- and 4-year-olds who currently are unserved in a publicly-funded ECCE program (e.g., VPI; Head Start; or subsidized child care in centers, homes, or preschools).
Preschool Development Grant Birth to Five (PDG)

PDG funding will support new communities in convening community stakeholders and engaging them in assessing and improving access to and quality of all publicly funded ECCE for children B-5 by:

– **building relationships**, including communicating with and coordinating PDG activities with all publicly funded ECCE partners;

– **increasing access**, including by assessing current program enrollment practices, analyzing needs data, and beginning to implement coordinated enrollment activities;

– **improving quality**, including through providing CLASS observations and related quality improvement support in all publicly funded classrooms; and

– **engaging families** in communication and decision making.
Changes in Timeline for Applications for New Early Childhood Opportunities: Deadlines for PDG
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LOI Process:
- Deadline for Submission of LOI: April 20, 2020 (5 pm)
- Review of LOIs: April 21-28, 2020
- Notification of Decisions: April 28, 2020

For communities invited to submit full PDG applications:
- Posting of Full PDG Application: May 1, 2020
- Webinar: Review of PDG Application, May 5, 2020 (3:30pm)
- Individual Community TA Calls, May 11-22, 2020
- Weekly Q and A Sessions, Fridays, 9am, May 15-June 12, 2020
- Additional Technical Assistance Opportunities, TBA
- Deadline for Submission: June 15, 2020 (5 pm)
- Notification of Decisions: July 1, 2020
Keeping Informed

• To receive information and details about PDG and MDG opportunities, application requirements, and deadlines, please:
  – Follow VECF on Facebook (www.facebook.com/SmartBeginnings) or Twitter (@SB_VECF).
  – Visit our website, www.vecf.org, for the most up-to-date information.

• Comments and questions, please send inquiries to info@vecf.org. Questions may not receive individual responses, but they will inform updated FAQs.