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Coalition Meeting

January 13, 2021

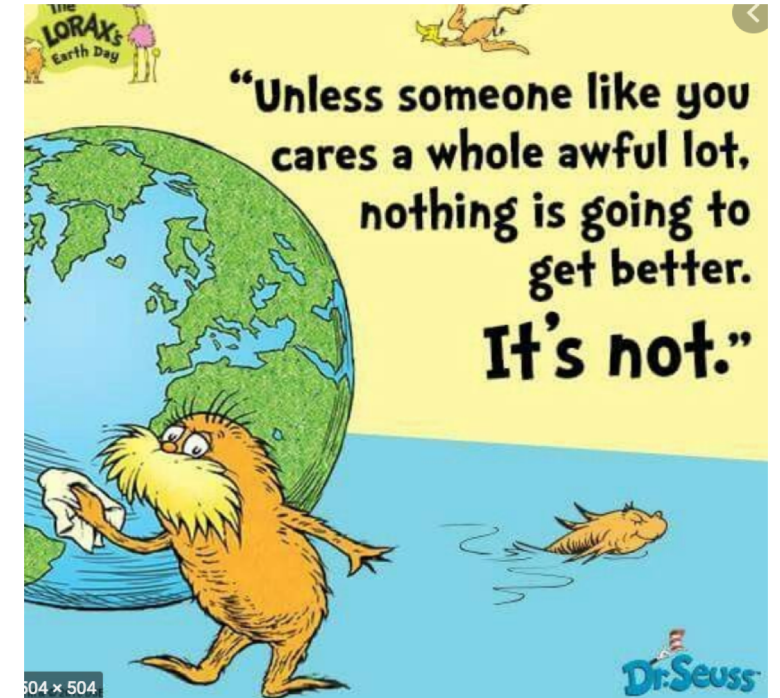


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Goals for the Webinar

- Breaking New/Latest Updates
- Legislative Session Preview
- Showcase the 2021 policy agenda for the NC Early Education Coalition
- Advocacy Opportunities
- Polling
- Small Group Discussions

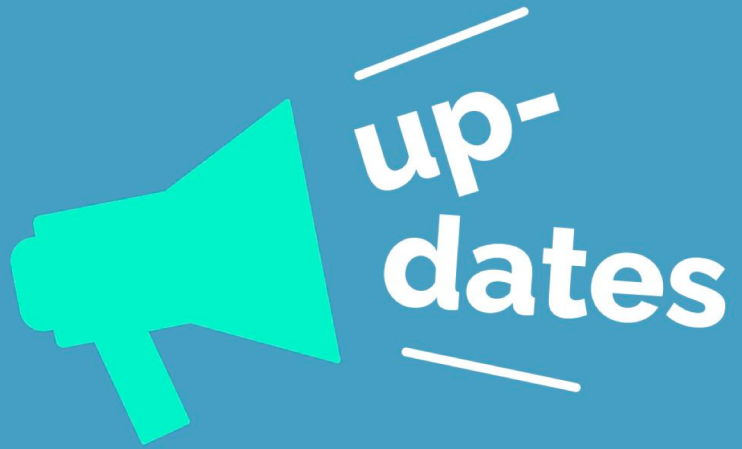


Message of Hope from Elliott



“There’s a
light at the
end of the
tunnel!”

What’s your hope
for 2021?



Early Childhood Education Breaking News

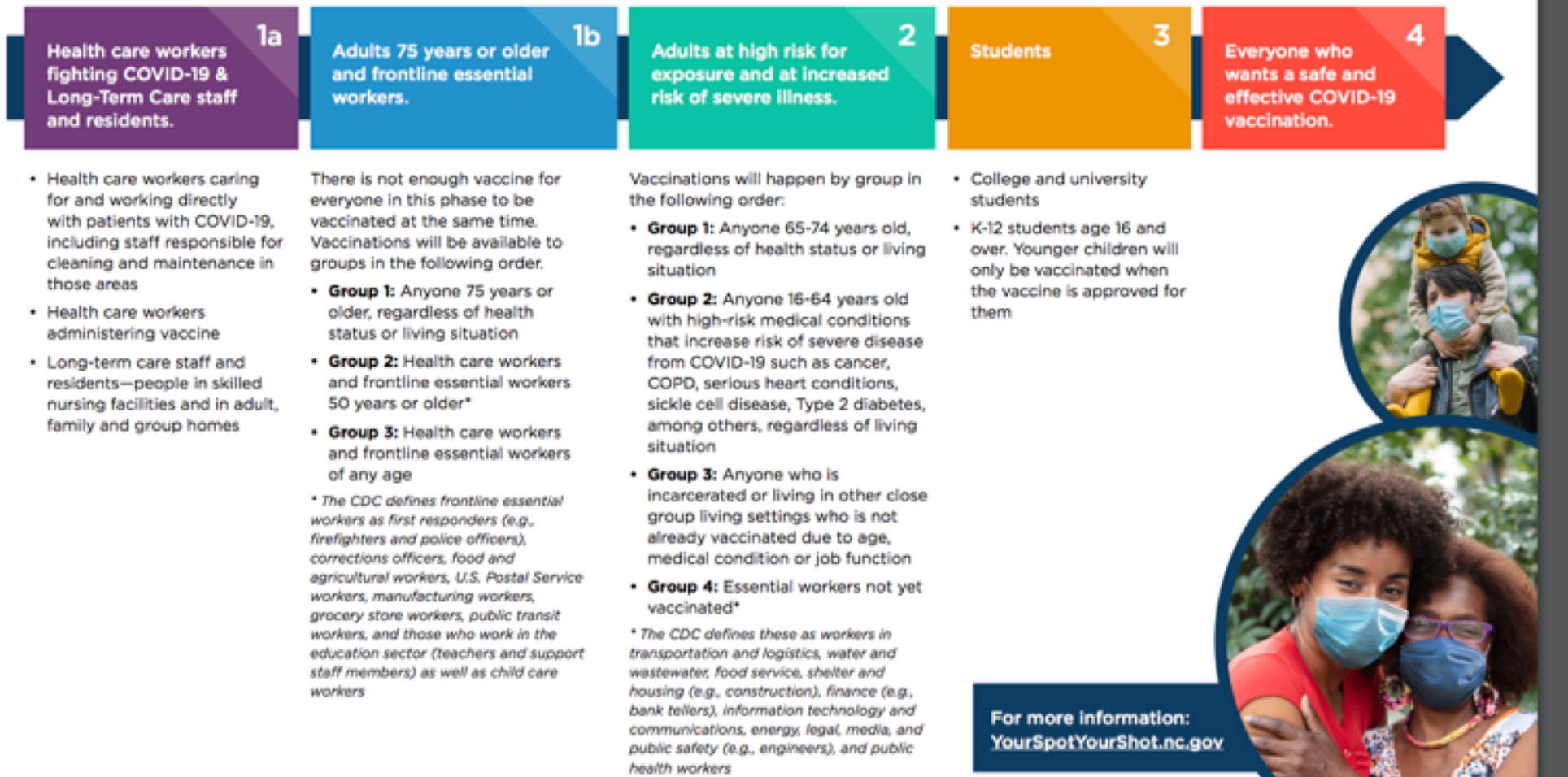


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Child Care Priority to Get COVID-19 Vaccines

- Child Care Workers are in Group 1B for vaccines



New Federal COVID Funding!

FY2021 Consolidated Appropriations and COVID Relief Act (P.L. 116-260) **Support for Individual, Families, Communities and Small Businesses**

- **Child Care:** \$10 B, NC will receive \$338 Million through CCDBG
- **Head Start:** \$250 M
- **Unemployment Insurance:** \$300 per week supplement Dec. 26, 2020 to March 13, 2021
- **Individual Direct Payments:** \$600 for individuals up to \$75,000 and \$1200 for couples up to \$150,000
- **Paid Leave Credit:** Extends use of previous credit through 3/31/21
- **Small Business Assistance:** Paycheck Protection Program – forgivable loans – through March 2021
Emergency Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL)
- **Housing Assistance:** Emergency Rental Assistance
- **Broad Band:** Includes Emergency Broadband Connective Fund to help to low-income families access broad band

Summary from Partners:

NC Early Childhood Foundation: <https://buildthefoundation.org/2021/01/what-does-the-new-federal-coronavirus-relief-bill-mean-for-early-childhood/>

Federal Child Care COVID Funding

- NC will receive \$338.7 million of \$10 billion in federal bill
- Purposes:
 - Support the child care market
 - Support working families who depend on child care
- Coalition Priorities
 - Bonus Pay/Hazard Pay for Teachers and Staff
 - Child Care Assistance for Working Families, priority for waitlist families
 - Operating Grants for Child Care Programs
 - Better Child Care Subsidy Reimbursement Rates – statewide floor for all counties

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- Share your opinion in chat
- Tell us your top priorities in the poll

2021 Legislative Session Preview



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2021 Legislative Session Preview

- Session Starts Today! January 13, 2021
- Long Session
- Divided Government Continues
 - Governor Roy Cooper (D)
 - NCGA Republican majority in both House and Senate
 - Who will be the early childhood champions?
- Key Issues
 - COVID-19 Congressional Funding
 - Medicaid expansion?
 - Budget crisis looming – impact on the 2021/22 budget?
 - Leandro Court Order State Plan Implementation?

NC Early Education Coalition Activities

- Reach out to all legislators
- Legislative briefing on ECE and Think Babies priorities
- New toolkit for 2021
- New lobbying team

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NCGA Leadership - Senate

SENATE	
President of the Senate	Mark Robinson
President Pro Tempore	Phil Berger
Majority Leader	Kathy Harrington
Majority Whip	Jim Perry
Joint Majority Caucus Leader	Norman Sanderson
Minority Leader	Dan Blue
Minority Whip	Jay Chaudhuri
Minority Caucus Secretary	Ben Clark

NCGA Leadership - House

HOUSE	
Speaker	Tim Moore
Speaker Pro Tempore	Sarah Stevens
Majority Leader	John Bell
Deputy Majority Leader	Brenden Jones
Minority Leader	Robert T. Reives

Leadership Appointments – HHS Appropriations

Senate

- Sens. Joyce Krawiec (chair)
- Jim Burgin (chair)
- Jim Perry (chair)
- Members:
 - Deanna Ballard,
 - Steve Jarvis,
 - Paul Lowe,
 - Natalie Murdock,
 - Gladys Robinson and
 - Joyce Waddell

House

- Reps. Larry Potts (chair)
- Wayne Sasser (chair)
- Donna White (chair)
- Kristin Baker
- Members:

Legislative Appointments

Senate Health Committee

- Sens. Joyce Krawiec (chair),
- Jim Burgin (chair),
- Jim Perry (chair),
- Members:
 - Deanna Ballard, Lisa Stone Barnes, Danny Earl Britt Jr., Ralph Hise, Steve Jarvis, Todd Johnson, Michael Lee, Sarah Crawford, Don Davis, Mujtaba Mohammed, Gladys Robinson, and Mike Woodard

NC General Assembly New Members

**See Handout*

House

HD 3 (Craven) – Steve Tyson, R

HD 7 (Franklin, Nash) – Matthew Winslow, R

HD 9 (Pitt) – Brian Farkas, D

HD 19 (New Hanover, Brunswick) – Charlie Miller, R

HD 24 (Wilson) – Linda Cooper-Suggs, D
(appointed 7/27/20, won reelection)

HD 37 (Wake) – Erin Pare, R

HD 38 (Wake) – Abe Jones, D

HD 43 (Cumberland) – Diane Wheatley, R

HD 53 (Harnett) – Howard Penny, Jr., R
(appointed 9/8/20, won reelection)

HD 63 (Alamance) – Ricky Hurtado, D

HD 66 (Richmond, Montgomery, Stanly) – Ben Moss, R

HD 68 (Union) – David Willis, R

HD 72 (Forsyth) – Amber Baker, D

HD 74 (Forsyth) – Jeff Zenger, R

HD 80 (Davidson) – Sam Watford, R

HD 85 (Avery, Mitchell, McDowell) – Dudley Greene, R

HD 92 (Mecklenburg) – Terry Brown, D

HD 93 (Ashe, Watauga) – Ray Pickett, R

HD 95 (Iredell) – Grey Mills, R

HD 98 (Mecklenburg) – John R. Bradford III, R

HD 117 (Henderson) – Timothy Moffitt, R

HD 118 (Haywood, Madison, Yancey) – Mark Pless, R

HD 119 (Swain, Jackson, Haywood) – Mike Clampitt, R

HD 120 (Cherokee, Macon, Clay, Graham) – Karl Gillespie, R

Senate

SD 3 (Vance, Warren, Northampton, Bertie, Martin, Beaufort) – Ernestine Byrd Bazemore, D

SD 6 (Jones, Onslow) – Michael Lazzarra, R

SD 9 (New Hanover) – Michael Lee, R

SD 11 (Johnston, Nash) – Lisa Stone Barnes, R

SD 18 (Franklin, Wake) – Sarah Crawford, D

SD 24 (Alamance, Guilford) – Amy Galey, R

SD 26 (Guilford, Randolph) – Dave Craven, R
(appointed 7/17/20, won reelection)

SD 29 (Montgomery, Davidson) – Steve Jarvis, R

SD 39 (Mecklenburg) – DeAndrea Salvador, D

SD 42 (Catawba, Alexander) – Dean Proctor, R
(appointed 8/10/20, won reelection)

SD 49 (Buncombe) – Julie Mayfield, D

SD 50 (Cherokee, Clay, Macon, Jackson, Haywood, Swain, Graham) – Kevin Corbin, R



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2021 Policy Agenda



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NC Early Education Coalition Policy Priorities



Top Line – Child Care is Essential!

- Maintain current level funding for all early childhood programs!
 - **Smart Start, NC Pre-K, Child Care Subsidies**
- Expand policy and funding for key priorities
- COVID Child Care Funding – stabilize and sustain the child



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Advocacy



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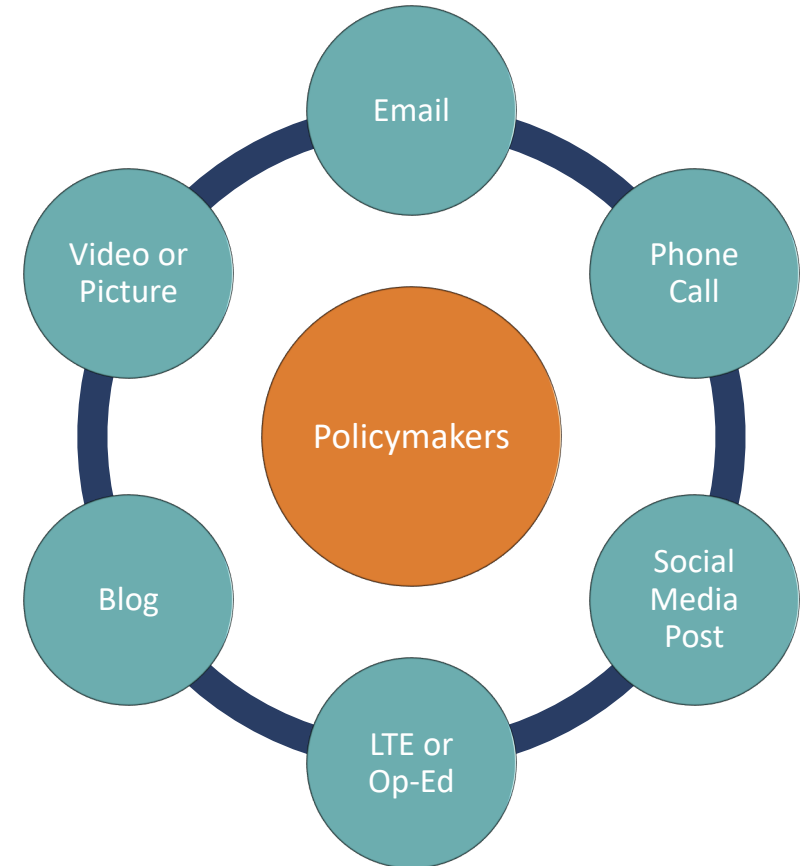
What Can You Do Now?

- Get to know your legislators!
 - Campaign websites
 - Social media
 - Subscribe to emails and newsletters
- Build a relationship
 - Introduce yourself (new sample email template available)
 - Share resources
 - Turn them into champions for children and families
 - Use our toolkits to help:
 - nearlyeducationcoalition.org/resources



Keep the Momentum Going

- Share your story! Tell policymakers what is happening on the ground in your community
 - Social media
 - Videos and pictures
 - Letter to the Editor, Op-Ed, blog, newsletter
 - Share it with us on our [Action Center](#)
 - Use our toolkits and let us know how we can help!



Thank you!

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Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

Margaret Mead

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