



## **Vision**

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### **"We are ECI" 2019-2022 Strategic Plan Goals**

1. Promote a coordinated infrastructure to advance the early childhood system.
2. Build public will for investing in young children and their families.
3. Transform the early childhood workforce through formal education, greater professionalism, increased skills and competence, and new approaches to implementing best practices.
4. Ensure that young children and families receive the services they need when they need them.
5. Improve the quality of early childhood services for young children and their families across early care and education; health, mental health, and nutrition; and family support services.