



# GATEWAYS TO OPPORTUNITY®

## Illinois Professional Development System

### PDAC Qualifications and Credentials (QC) Committee

Thursday, February 21, 2019

1:30 PM—3:00 PM

Telenet

Agenda

Call-in Number: 1-866-951-1151 Conference Room Number: 2386140

- 1:30 PM**      **Welcome** – *Teri Talan, Bela Moté, Elva DeLuna* – tri-chairs
- 1:35 PM**      **Review and Approval of Minutes**
- October 11, 2018
- 1:40 PM**      **Relationship-Based Professional Development Update<sup>1</sup>** – *Libby Mitchell*
- 1:50 PM**      **Illinois Preschool Development Grant Birth through Five (PDG B-5)<sup>4</sup>** – *Tom Layman, GOECD*
- 2:05 PM**      **Gateways ESL/Bilingual Credential Recommendation<sup>2</sup>** – *Sergio Hernandez, ESL/Bilingual tri-chair*
- 2:30 PM**      **NAEYC P2P<sup>3</sup>** – *Teri Talan*
- Information sharing: PDAC response to NAEYC P2P
  - Next Decision Cycle Updates
- 2:50 PM**      **Announcements/Updates<sup>4</sup>**
- PDAC Annual Meeting Feedback
  - Other
- 3:00 PM**      **Adjourn**

#### FY19 Meetings:

##### Fourth Quarter

- Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019      Telenet      1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

#### PDAC Strategic Plan • Phase VIII • 2018–2021 Qualifications and Credentials

<sup>1</sup>**Goal: Ensure Gateways to Opportunity Credentials align with state and national initiatives, incorporate current research and validated practices, and are responsive to workforce needs.**

- Objective 1: Create credential renewal pathways that are evidence-based and ensure consistency across all credentials.

<sup>2</sup>**Goal: Guide the development and implementation of a Gateways ESL/Bilingual Credential to ensure workforce capacity in meeting the needs of Illinois' diverse children and families.**

- Objective 2: Pilot, review, develop, and implement a Gateways ESL/Bilingual Credential.

<sup>3</sup>**Goal: Coordinate Illinois' response to national and local workforce development initiatives (e.g., Power to the Profession; i2I Innovation to Incubation) through the lens of the QC committee.**

- Objective 1: Engage Illinois stakeholders in discussion of national and local workforce development initiatives.
- Objective 2: Provide feedback to national and local initiatives on behalf of Illinois' early childhood professional development system.

<sup>4</sup>**Goal: Promote and incentivize Gateways to Opportunity Credentials.**

- Increase knowledge and understanding of Gateways Credentials and competencies-based system within higher education institutions and among public and private employers of early educators.
- Embed Gateways Credentials in state systems (e.g. Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (IDCFS) Child Care licensing standards, Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) Early Childhood Block Grant standards/rules, ExceleRate® Illinois, etc.).

