



California's Master Plan for Learning and Care

June 2020



Quick Poll #1:

The Master Plan for Early Learning and Care should present ideas that can be implemented...

Immediately to support recovery and stabilization of early care and learning

In 5 years

Over 10 or more years

All of the above

Quick Poll #2:

The top priority for the Master Plan for Early Learning and Care is....

Funding

Access

Quality

All of the above

*Harmonizing Public, Private, and
Community Resources to Deliver on a
Commitment to a California for All Kids*

Vision

**Young children thrive
physically, emotionally, and
educationally in their early
years with equitable access to
child and family-centered
services that support healthy
child development.**



Values

- **Advance equity**
Address inequities associated with race, ethnicity, and language and attend to the needs of our most vulnerable including foster children and homeless
- **Respect parental agency**
Engage families as partners, recognize that they are the greatest providers of skills and dispositions in their children, and empower them as the drivers of success
- **Respect childcare and early learning professionals**
Redesigning programs and supports to increase pathways to professional careers at professional compensation
- **Know each child and each family**
Address whole child and family needs, including trauma informed care to lessen their burdens, increase their opportunities and improve their outcomes

Share Your Feedback

What resonated with you
about the values?

What are key points to
emphasize?

Anything missing?





Adapting to Challenges and Opportunities



**Access for
Families**

Workforce

**Cost Savings
and Efficiencies**

Quick Poll #3:

The impacts of
COVID-19 on
the early
childhood
system are...

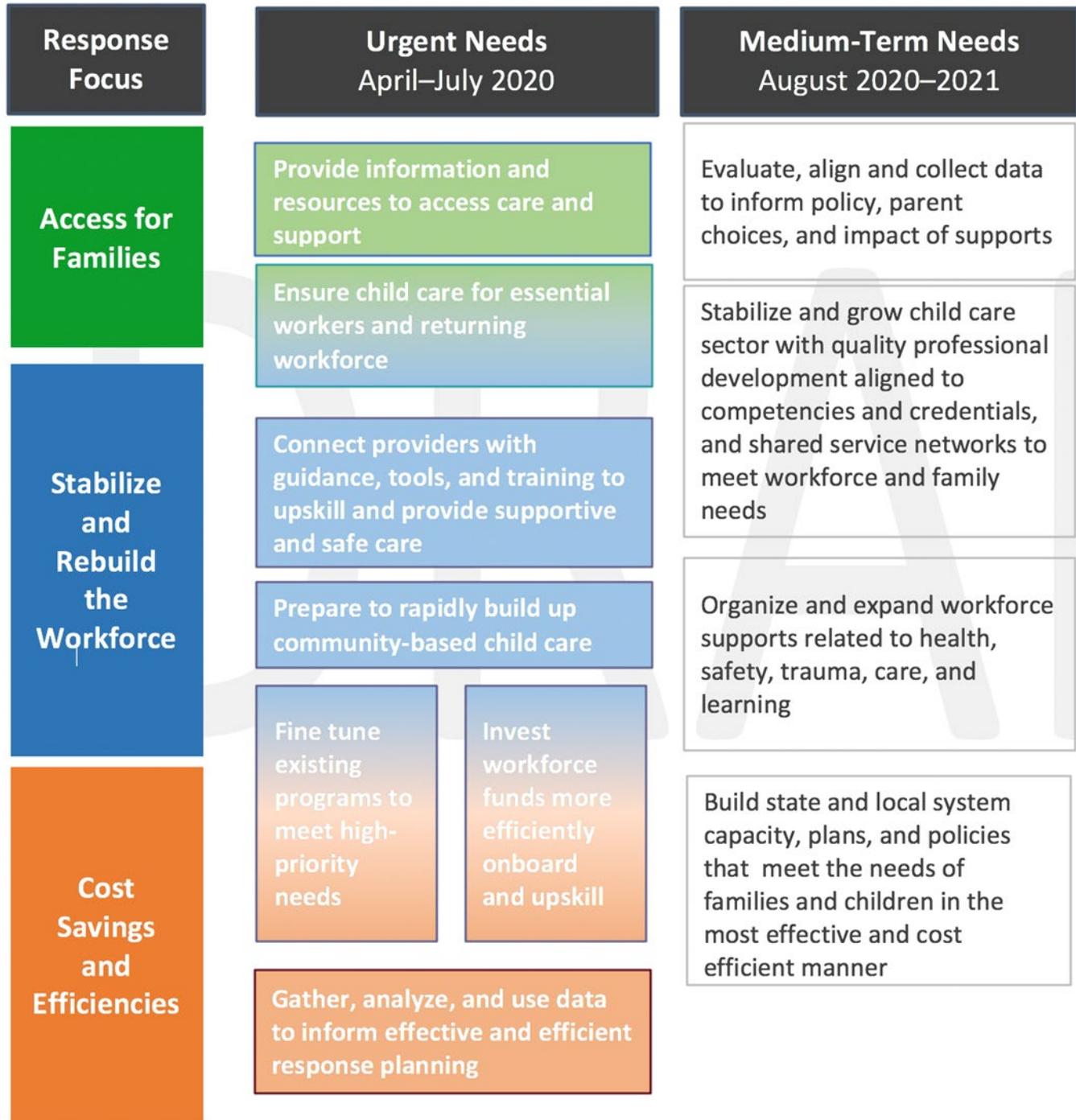
Permanent, and a long-term
set-back

Temporary, we will quickly
bounce back

Redefining, we will come
back, but operate differently

Hard to say

COVID-19 Response: Meeting Urgent Needs to Ready for Long-term Results



Listening to Families

Work-Life Balance Challenges

“Trying to keep [her] family safe [while] locked in the house... and to have a three-year-old is overwhelming.”

Information Challenges

“It would have been great to get the accurate information from the beginning so we could plan ahead.”

Financial Challenges

“I am right now surviving off what I received from my taxes and the little bit that I had saved over the past few months.”

Mental Health Challenges

“Just every day hearing we got a new case. This person, now you got these many cases in your county. This person has died. It's a lot. It's really overwhelming.”



Guidelines & resources for safely reopening early learning and care

COVID-19 shelter-in-place restrictions are easing. It's time for providers to reopen and parents get back to work. California's children can continue their healthy development and learning when parents and providers follow the safety guidelines and resources on this website. Created and approved by the State, this is the one place where you'll find everything you need for safe early learning and care for all of California's children.

<https://www.chhs.ca.gov/home/master-plan-for-early-learning-and-care/>

Operating

What to plan for & how to reopen



Cleaning & disinfecting



Drop-off & pick-up



Group size & ratios



Health & safety



Hygiene



Nutrition



Outdoor play



Physical distancing



Provider & family financial relief resources



Wellness check

Care & Learning

How to provide high-quality care & learning support



Academic development



Care & learning



Dual language learners



Social & emotional learning



Supporting special needs



Supporting families

Whole Child, Whole Family

Children Need

- Positive and supportive relationships with family and other caregivers
- Nutrition
- Health and wellness
- Early identification and intervention for areas of need



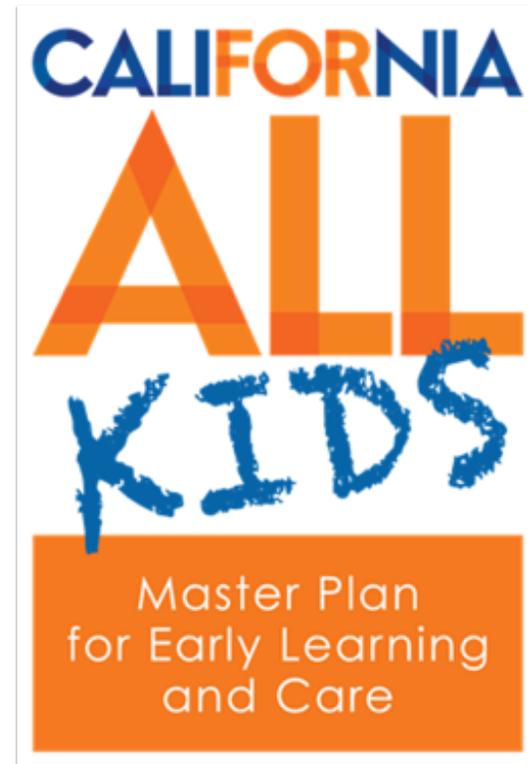
Whole Child, Whole Family

Families Need

- Options for care
- Comprehensive support including health and wellness
- Affordability
- Information
- Simplicity

Providers Need

- Professional learning and support
- Career development
- Compensation
- Simplicity



Goals

California's early childhood system delivers on the promise of a *California for All Kids* by providing all families...

- **Access to Quality Care and Support**
- **Affordable Quality Care and Support**
- **Comprehensive and Coordinated Health and Wellness Support**





Access to Quality Care and Support

- **Promote positive adult-child interactions**
 - **Parent-centered design**
 - **Build-up and sustain early childhood workforce**
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Affordable Quality Care and Support

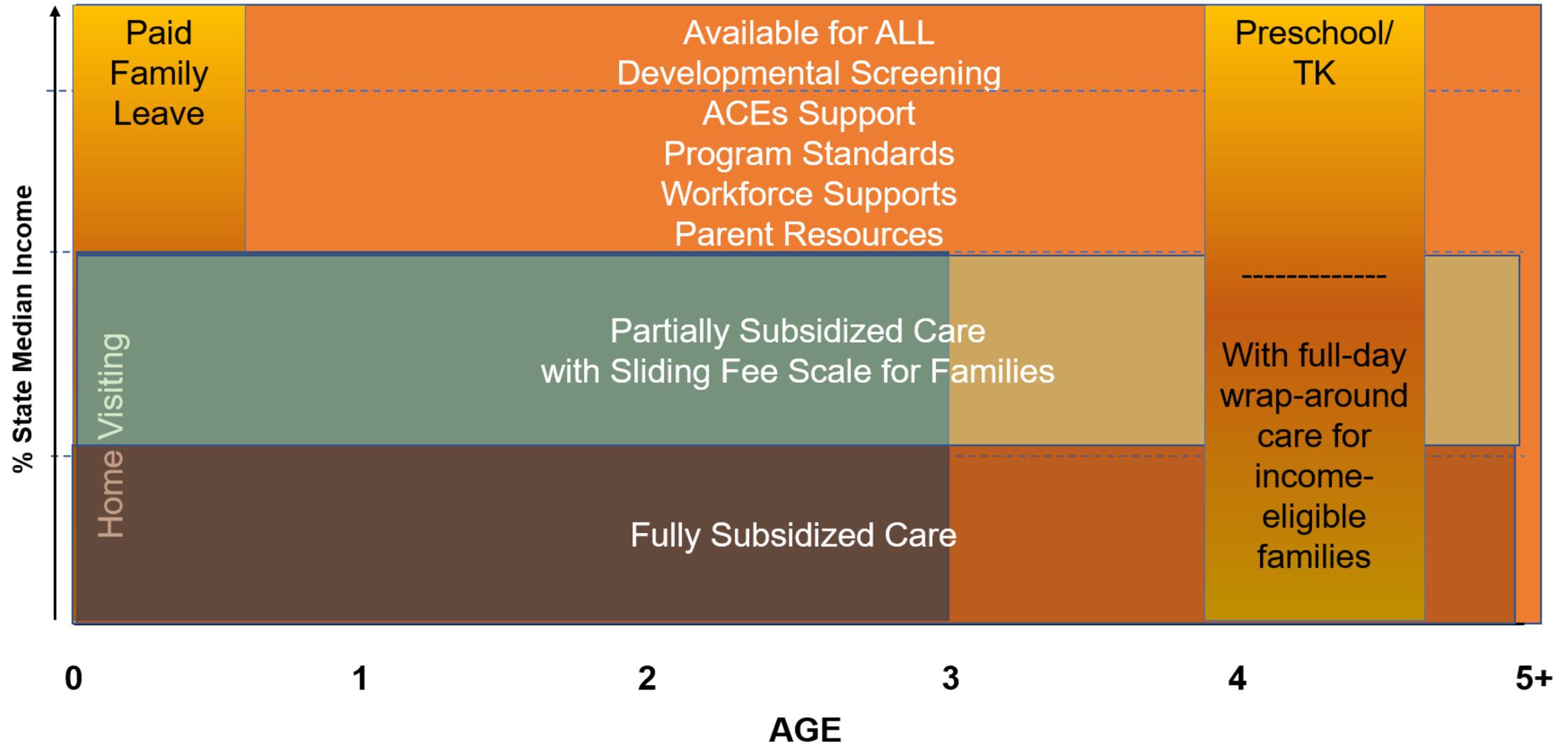
- **Leverage public-private partnerships**
 - **Create a funding structure to guide long-term investment in a mixed-delivery system**
 - **Align program standards to a common definition of quality**
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Comprehensive
and
Coordinated
Health &
Wellness
Support

- **Welcome and connect with families**
 - **Streamline services to families**
 - **Coordinate planning and management of whole child, whole family support**
 - **Integrate health and care data**
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A System that Supports All Children and Families



Share Your Feedback

What priorities and activities should the Master Plan capture for the near-, mid-, and long-term

Anything missing?



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