



Our Keiki, Our Future

Hawai'i Early Childhood State Plan, 2019-2024

The first eight years of life are the foundation for a child's future—and Hawai'i's future. Hawai'i is laying the groundwork for a statewide early childhood system that includes health and safety, early care and learning, and family partnerships. This comprehensive approach helps to support the "whole child" and addresses the barriers that can prevent children and families from accessing vital programs and services. When we align early childhood efforts, we build strong foundations for our community's long-term well-being.

All of Hawai'i's keiki should have the best possible foundation for the future, and that requires all of us to make a substantial commitment to collaborate, coordinate services and leverage resources toward shared priorities to truly make a difference. Together, we have generated an Early Childhood State Plan to better serve Hawai'i's young children and their families.

We, the undersigned, as representatives of Hawai'i State government, commit to working with each other, as well as with our community stakeholders, to implement Hawai'i's Early Childhood State Plan.

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