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### Build Back Better Jamboard Overview, updated 12/30/21

#### **Benefits**

- Early Learning: expanded pre-k and supportive transitions
- Workforce: stabilizing the workforce, supporting recruitment, and increasing and aligning compensation and qualifications
- Infrastructure/Coordinated 0-5 system: data driven and cross systems collaboration
- Fiscal: equitable funding, data driven, and affordability
- Equity: access to QSNY, marginalized communities are centered, and increased access for families
- Quality Improvement: increased program quality across modalities, expansion of QSNY, and more accessible high quality ECCE
- Family Support and Engagement: more families will be served, elevated family choice, reduced financial burden of ECCE, and supports working parents

# **Challenges/Opportunities**

- Inclusion: families with special needs will need to be centered
- Early Learning: developing physical ECCE locations particularly in rural areas
- Workforce: ECCE program and certified teacher shortage, higher education barriers, support workforce pipeline, plans must support home based providers, and increased need for PD
- Infrastructure/Coordinated 0-5 system: build Shared Alliance (NYAEYC & ECLC) framework for future state plan, streamline oversight agencies, and prioritize child outcome across policies and sectors
- Data: data sharing and individualized identifiers for children
- Fiscal: regulatory differences in various funding streams and streamlining state procurement, contracting, and spending approvals to get funds out faster
- Equity: bring everyone together and make sure marginalized groups are centered, ensure undocumented children and families can receive services and resources, remove resource deserts, and equitable leadership
- Family Support and Engagement: improve protective factors for families and ECCE providers, communication pathways to families, and include family voice in the process

### **First Steps**

- Infrastructure/Coordinated 0-5 system: outline NYS BBB plan, coordination between SED/OCFS/CCF, recommend state agency to allocate BBB funding in NY, develop assessment of infrastructure needs, coordinate communication efforts, and develop systems and structures to ensure families get access to the funds they are entitles to quickly
- Fiscal: cost modeling must include living wages for all ECCE staff, pay parity, and look at true cost of quality care for NYS families
- Quality Improvement: high quality PD
- Family Support, Choice and Engagement: centralize family and provider voices in planning process and promote home visiting
- Public knowledge: develop comprehensive communication plan to promote the ECCE workforce