

# State Board of Education Department of Children, Youth, and Families Overview

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Department of Children, Youth, and Families

### Vision for Children

"Washington state's children and youth grow up safe and healthy – thriving physically, emotionally, and academically, nurtured by family and community" (HB 1661, Sec 101).

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Department's Responsibility to the Public

"The department is accountable to the public." (HB 1661, Sec 101).

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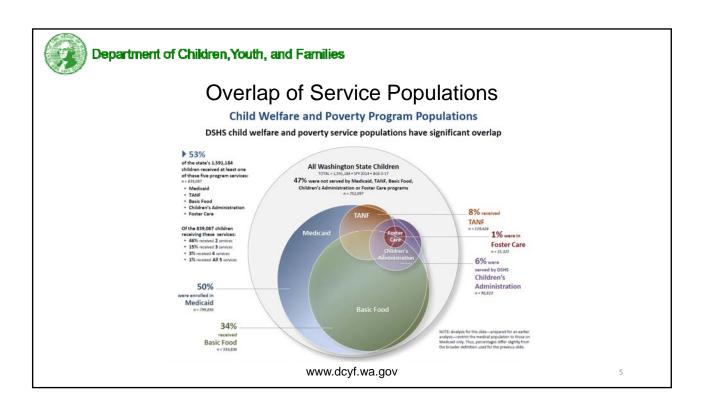


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## Vision for the Department

"...to improve service delivery and outcomes, existing services must be restructured into a comprehensive agency dedicated to the safety, development, and well-being of children that emphasizes prevention, early childhood development, and early intervention, and supporting parents to be their children's first and most important teachers." (HB 1661, Sec 1)

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#### **DCYF Milestones Timeline**

#### Major Milestones:

- July 1, 2018, CA and DEL are merged
- November 1, 2018, Recommendations of merging Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration (JRA) and Office of Youth Homelessness with DCYF
- July 1, 2019, JRA joins DCYF
- July 1, 2019, Working Connections Child Care is consolidated within DCYF

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#### DCYF Decisions in Early 2018

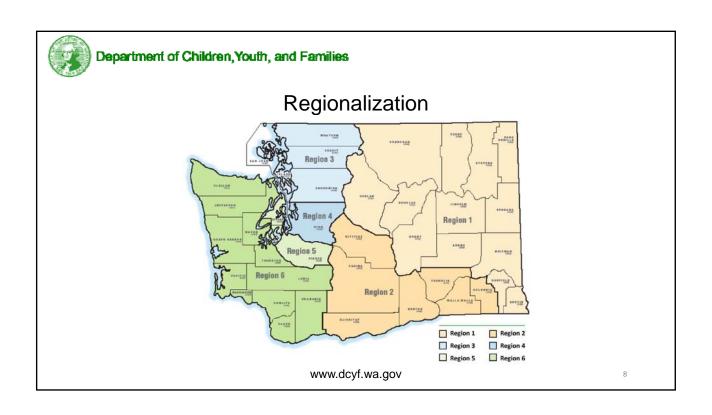
Near term decisions (winter/spring/summer 2018)

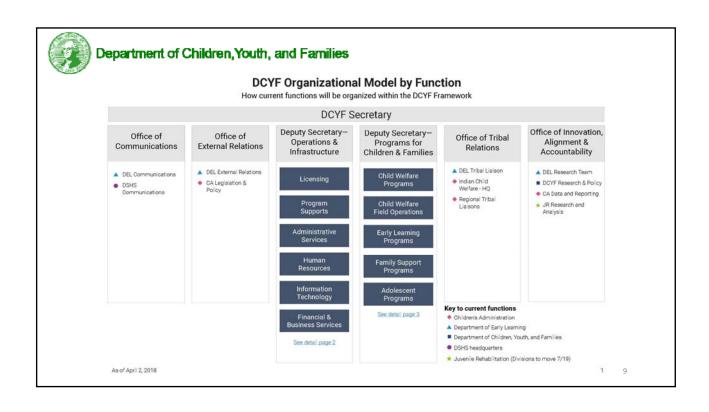
- · Regional structure
- · Roles of regions
- · Organizational chart
- · Senior leadership

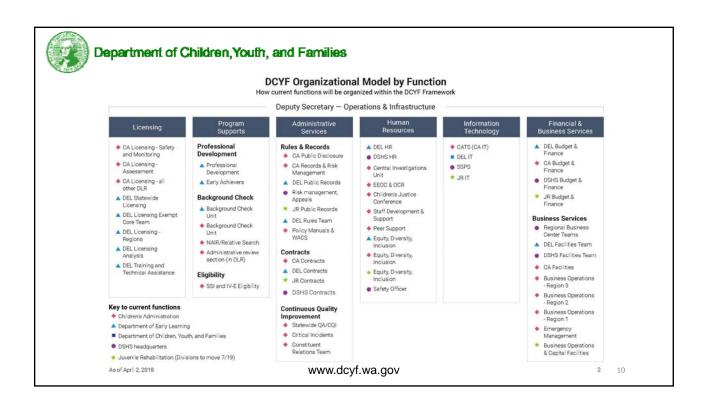
#### Near Term Projects (2018)

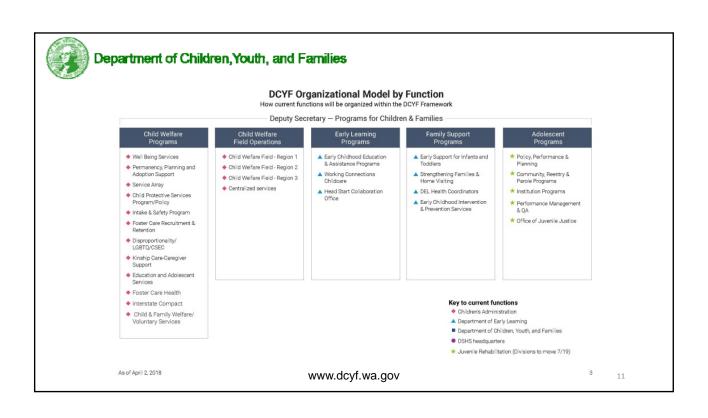
- Tribal consultation
- · Development of advisory system
- Development of integrated service model (mission work)
- · Office of Innovation, Alignment, and Accountability (OIAA) Projects-
  - Budget, IT and policy proposals for 2019
  - Performance Based Contracting
  - Baseline Performance
  - Analytic Framework

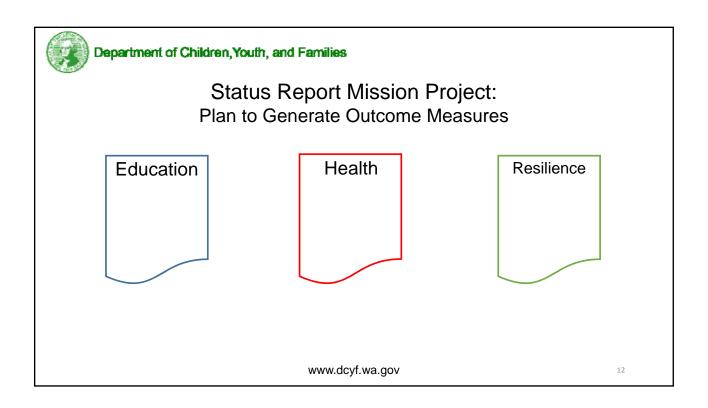
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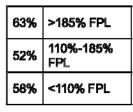


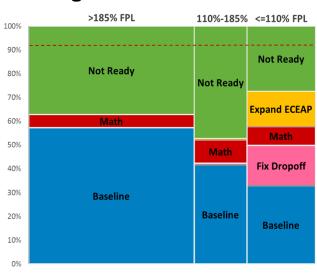






## 90% Kindergarten Readiness







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## Status Report – Performance Based Contracting

- Need to align client service contracts with desired agency outcomes
- Clarity on how the outcomes/outputs we are purchasing contribute to larger outcomes for children/families
- Leverage all our resources towards the outcomes we are trying to produce for children/families
- Initial contracts will meet minimum requirements for Performance Based Contracting
- Incentives and supports for Outcomes

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## Status Report Mission Project: Tribal Consultation

- Building on DSHS 7.01, 2017 Policy and Plans
- DCYF already engaged in process with Tribes
- Meeting November 16, 2018
- From that will produce a plan for how we develop consultation policy
- Update on the process in December 1, 2017 report

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## Status Report Mission Project: Outreach & Stakeholder Advisory

- Outreach
  - Ross engaged in extensive outreach to staff and stakeholders
  - Outreach Events are located at <u>www.dcyf.wa.gov</u>
- Stakeholder Advisory Function [Section 105(2)(e)]
  - Substantial efforts to design new advisory function for DCYF
- · Detailed update on both in December 1, 2017 report

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# Status Report Mission Project: Working Connections Child Care

- Goal: The Child Care Subsidy Program (CCSP) will be integrated into the new DCYF structure and culture, while also maintaining a delivery system that continues to support families and provides consistent, accurate, and effective services.
- December 1, 2018 Plan recommendations for transferring responsibility of the CCSP eligibility from DSHS to DCYF.
  - Transferring child care eligibility staff
  - · Treatment of shared client data
  - IT systems
  - Phone systems
  - Staff training
  - Federal cost allocation

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### Oversight Board for Children, Youth, and Families

- Section 101(9)
  - · General oversight over performance and policies of the Department
  - Provide advice and input to Department and the Governor
  - Initial report to Legislature and Governor due Dec 1, 2019
- Phase 1 The Office of the Family and Children's Ombuds (OFCO) identifies candidates for nomination to the board by the governor and convene the 1st meeting in July 2018\*
- Phase 2 The OFCO and Board establish: budget; location/office of the Board; structure of Board; hiring process for Executive Director and 1FTE

\*If appointments made by May 1, 2018, DCYF will be able to do outreach and develop content to support July meeting

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## Oversight Board for Children, Youth, and Families – Membership

- · Four legislators
- Four subject matter experts
- Two tribal representatives
- · One representative each from the following:
  - Governor's office (non-voting)
  - Foster parent
  - An organization that represents the best interest of the child
  - Parent group
  - Law enforcement
  - · Child welfare caseworker
  - Early childhood learning program implementation practitioner
  - Judicial

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## Oversight Board for Children, Youth, and Families – Authority

- Receiving OFCO reports
- · Obtaining records from the OFCO
- · Selecting its officers and adopting rules
- Requesting investigations by the OFCO
- Requesting and receiving information from the DCYF
- Determining whether the DCYF meets its performance measures
- Conducting and annual review of a sampling of provider contracts to ensure they are performance-based
- Conducting periodic surveys of providers, customers, parent groups, and external services
- Issuing an annual report

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## Questions?

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