



Alliance for Kids Council

Member List

ALLIANCE FOR KIDS, EL PASO COUNTY'S EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL

The Alliance for Kids Council brings agencies and individuals together to work collaboratively on a seamless system of care for young children and their families in El Paso County. The Council engages community partners in an open coalition framework to make decisions, implement new programs, and produce positive outcomes for young children and their families. Council subcommittees of Learning + Development, Health + Well-Being, and Family Support + Education are where organization representatives and individuals meet regularly to further the work of the Council in each area.

ROLE ON COUNCIL	MEMBER NAME	ORGANIZATION (IF APPROPRIATE)
One of two duly elected Council Co-Chairs (also meets the requirement for additional Council seat)	Lorri Orwig	Catholic Charities of Central Colorado
One of two duly elected Council Co-Chairs (also meets the requirement for additional Council seat)	Jaylynn Koch	Bloom Between
Past Co-Chair (also meets the requirement for additional Council seat)	Linda Meredith	CPCD...giving children a head start COO
Family Support + Education Committee Chair (also meets the requirement for additional Council seat)	Brian Kates	Meadows Park Community Center Park Operations Administrator
Health + Well-Being Committee Chair (also meets the requirement for additional Council seat)	Nicole Donatto	The Edification Station
Learning + Development Co-Chair (also meets the requirement for additional Council seat)	Tiffany Pieper	Teller Park Early Childhood Council Coordinator

Community Representative 1 (Representative of business, economic development, community centers, libraries, etc.)	Brian Kates	Meadows Park Community Center Park Operations Administrator
Community Representative 2 (Representative of business, economic development, community centers, libraries, etc.)	Melody Alvarez	Pikes Peak Library District Director of Family & Children's Services
Early Care and Education (Required by Legislation)	Jeanne Prather	Hope Montessori Academy Regional Director
Head Start Grantee/Policy Council	Linda Meredith	CPCD...giving children a head start COO
Faith-Based Agency	Lorri Orwig	Catholic Charities of Central Colorado
Family Support and Parent Education Services (Required by Legislation)	Becky Huyge	Safe Care CO/Lutheran Family Services
Family Child Care Provider	Stacy Buzbee	Vice President of State Association CAFCC Vice President of Local Association PPRFCCA
Fiscal Agent	SherryLynn Boyles	Joint Initiatives for Youth + Families (JI) President + Chief Executive Officer
Health Care Entity (Required by Legislation)	DeAnn Ryberg	El Paso County Public Health Deputy Director
	Melissa Rogerson (Designee)	El Paso County Public Health Attending for DeAnn Ryberg Lead Environmental Health Specialist
Higher Education Institution	Joneila Henselman	Pikes Peak Community College CCAMPIS Parent Student Coordinator
Local Government (Required by Legislation)	Yesenia Torres (Designee)	El Paso County Department of Human Services Adult and Family Services Manager

Mental Health Care (Required by Legislation)	Jamie Falasca	Peak View Behavioral Health
Military family/Care Entity	Annalisa Galenski-Rimer	Ft. Carson Family Advocacy Program (FAP), New Parent Support Program (NPSP)
Mental Health Care (Required by Legislation)	Colleen Head Batchelor	The Resource Exchange (TRE) CEO
	Lori Ganz (designee)	The Resource Exchange
Parent of a child five years of age or younger (Required by Legislation)	LaQuita Allen	Parent
Resource and Referral Agency (Required by Legislation)	Kelly Hurtado	Alliance for Kids, El Paso County's Early Childhood Council, and Initiative of JI
School District (which could be a parent leadership organization such as a PTO or BAC)	Shelley Ettleman	Ellicott Preschool Director
Workforce Organization	Paulette Olson	Pikes Peak Workforce Center Workforce Navigator