

**Virginia Interagency Coordinating Council (VICC) Nominations
Status Report
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Parent Representation on the VICC

VICC bylaws call for nine (9) parent members and four (4) alternates to be part of the VICC.

We currently have three parent members on the VICC. One parent member is willing to continue to serve while two (2) have chosen not to continue. Therefore, eight (8) VICC parent positions and four (4) alternate parent positions are or will be vacant. The Secretary's Office requires names of two individuals for each vacant position. Thus, our slate must include 24 parents. Next steps for completing the slate for parent nominees include:

- Determine how many of the existing nominees (other than the 10 who have confirmed their continuing interest) wish to remain on the list.
- Recruit additional parents to total 24 (existing + newly recruited).
- Obtain updated information from for each potential nominee.

Provider Representation on the VICC

VICC bylaws call for six (6) public or private providers of early intervention services with at least one being a local council coordinator; two people involved in personnel preparation (minimum of one), one person representing a Head Start agency or program in the state, and one person representing a third party private insurer or HMO agency providing coverage for early intervention services.

Of the seven (7) current nominees who have indicated that they are still interested in being considered for appointment, one is a council coordinator, one is involved in personnel preparation, and one represents Head Start. Next steps include:

- Determine terms for current members. (A lottery system was used to assign existing members to one, two or three year terms. However, this was done many years ago and the existing members have all continued to serve beyond those terms).
- Determine how many positions need to be filled (number required minus the number of current members willing to continue as member).
- Recruit additional nominees including an additional individual representing council coordinators, an additional individual representing Head Start, two individuals representing a third party private insurer.
- Obtain current letters of interest and curriculum vita from all nominees.

The Part C Office has contacted all individuals (parents and providers) who have been on the list of potential appointees that was updated and sent to the Secretary's office in 2000. 20 Parents are on the list. Of these,

- Seven (7) parents have expressed interest in remaining on the list and have submitted updated information.
- Three (3) parents have expressed interest and indicated that they will submit updated information.
- Two (2) parents have indicated that they no longer want to be considered for appointment to the VICC.
- Two (2) parents are not sure whether they still want to be considered.
- One (1) parent has moved out of state.
- Multiple attempts to contact five (5) parents on the current list have been unsuccessful.

Fifteen (15) providers are on the existing list of potential nominees that was sent to the Secretary's office in 2000. Of those:

- Five (5) no longer wish to be considered for appointment (or have moved out of state or no longer fit the requirements for the VICC position for which they were being considered).
- Seven (7) providers have expressed interest in continuing to be considered for appointment.
- Attempts to contact three (3) providers on the list have been unsuccessful.

Once a complete list of nominees is obtained and the updated information is collected for each nominee, the names will be submitted to the Governor via the Secretary's Office.