

## Early Care and Education Governance

### What is the entity's category of oversight?

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The following categories of early care and education entity oversight were developed by ECS staff to concisely categorize this complicated and nuanced issue:

- **Created:** The state has created a lead agency for early care and education with responsibility for multiple programs and functions.
- **Consolidated:** The state has consolidated multiple early care and education agencies and functions into a single agency that also has broader responsibilities.
- **Coordinated:** The state coordinates early care and education functions across two or more state agencies.

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STATE ▲	NAME OF THE EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION GOVERNANCE ENTITY	CATEGORY OF OVERSIGHT
Alabama	Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education	Created
Alaska	not applicable	Coordinated
Arizona	not applicable	Coordinated
Arkansas	Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Child Care and Early Development	Consolidated
California	not applicable	Coordinated
Colorado	Colorado Department of Human Services, Office of Early Childhood	Coordinated
Connecticut	Connecticut Office of Early Childhood	Created
Delaware	Delaware Department of Education, Office of Early Learning	Consolidated
District of Columbia	D.C. Office of State Superintendent of Education, Division of Early Learning	Consolidated
Florida	Florida Department of Education, Office of Early Learning	Consolidated
Georgia	Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning	Created
Hawaii	Hawaii Executive Office of Early Learning	Coordinated

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Idaho	not applicable	Coordinated
Illinois	Illinois Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development	Coordinated
Indiana	Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, Office of Early Childhood and Out-of-School Learning	Consolidated
Iowa	not applicable	Coordinated
Kansas	not applicable	Coordinated
Kentucky	not applicable	Coordinated
Louisiana	Louisiana Department of Education	Consolidated
Maine	not applicable	Coordinated
Maryland	Maryland Department of Education, Division of Early Childhood	Consolidated
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Executive Office of Education, Department of Early Education and Care	Created
Michigan	Michigan Department of Education, Office of Great Start	Consolidated
Minnesota	not applicable	Coordinated
Mississippi	not applicable	Coordinated
Missouri	Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Office of Early Learning	Coordinated
Montana	Early Childhood and Family Support Division	Coordinated
Nebraska	not applicable	Coordinated
Nevada	Nevada Department of Education, Office of Early Learning and Development	Consolidated
New Hampshire	not applicable	Coordinated
New Jersey	not applicable	Coordinated
New Mexico	New Mexico Early Childhood Education and Care Department	Created
New York	not applicable	Coordinated
North Carolina	North Carolina Division of Child Development and Early Education	Consolidated

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North Dakota	not applicable	Coordinated
Ohio	not applicable	Coordinated
Oklahoma	not applicable	Coordinated
Oregon	Oregon Early Learning Division	Consolidated
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania Office of Child Development and Early Learning	Consolidated
Rhode Island	not applicable	Coordinated
South Carolina	not applicable	Coordinated
South Dakota	not applicable	Coordinated
Tennessee	not applicable	Coordinated
Texas	Texas Education Agency	Coordinated
Utah	not applicable	Coordinated
Vermont	Vermont Child Development Division	Consolidated
Virginia	not applicable	Coordinated
Washington	Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families	Created
West Virginia	not applicable	Coordinated
Wisconsin	not applicable	Coordinated
Wyoming	not applicable	Coordinated