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POLICY:

The Early Childhood Program will conduct a community assessment once every 5 years and will provide an update every year to the community assessment. The assessment will cover all areas list in the Head Start Performance Standard 1302.1(b). This assessment will be shared with staff, parents, and community members.

PROCEDURE:

The Early Childhood Program will create a community assessment task force that creates the community assessment once every 5 years and meets to update it on an annual basis. This group will include a member of the community along with members from the program along with a parent representative.

The items that will be included in the community assessment are outlined in the Performance Standards under section 1302.1(b). This information along with any other pertinent information will comprise the community needs assessment.

This assessment will be the driving force for all data based decisions for the Early Childhood Program. The report will be shared with staff, parents, and community stakeholders by providing paper copies or posted on the Early Childhood website.