



Board Action Item

Early Learning Coalition of Southwest Florida, Inc. May 24, 2006

Subject: Approval of the Following Policy:

ELCSWF-VPK0017-06 VPK Provider Eligibility

Proposed Recommendation: Recommendation for approval of the ELC-SWF VPK0017-06 which provides a process for determining eligibility of prospective child care providers serving VPK children, in Lee, Collier, Hendry and Glades counties.

Background Information:

AWI expects each Coalition to establish procedures to ensure prospective VPK providers are legally eligible to participate in the VPK program. Establishing consistency in determining eligibility of provider's is very important to the success of the program.

Action Taken: Nancy Starr, Director of Policy, was assigned to convene a workgroup of CCSWFL VPK partners to develop these policies. Ongoing meetings have been held since February 2006 and this is the second of several to be developed. Ms. Starr helps to develop policies consistent with timeframes and process utilized by state government, as well as ensuring consistency with previous policies and the Coalition By-Laws.

The draft policies were submitted back to the Policy Development Committee and others via email and reflect consensus of everyone involved. Barbara Saunders reviewed the Draft on May 10, 2006 and made final edits.

Coalition Meeting: May 24, 2006

Submitted By: Barbara Saunders, Executive Director
ELC Executive Board

Approved
Date:

Motion:
Second: