

Themed Questions for JMC Panel Members

Alberta CAPC CPNP Coalition Face to Face Conference

October 17, 1:15 – 3:15 p.m.

Theme #1 – ECD Coalitions

Reference Recommendation #2: Strengthen EC Coalitions/ECCA.

Q: Are there plans to engage with the CAPC and CPNP projects to support the coalitions and their work going forward?

Theme #2 – Daycare and preschool accreditation

Reference Recommendation #3: Explore collaborations to strengthen ECD through regulated childcare.

Q: Currently there is no accreditation standards for Preschool Programs, although they are licensed and regulated provincially. Have any discussions occurred about including Preschools in accreditation?

Theme #3 – Addressing the rising complex needs of Alberta families

Complex needs include: trauma, mental health issues, family violence, addiction, poverty, refugees and immigrants, children presenting with physical and/or learning disabilities, food security.

Reference Recommendation 4: Invest in tailored care for the most vulnerable

Q: What would your ministries' approach to tailored care look like?

Q: How can we better support children with learning/physical disabilities as currently there is a lack of early screening and access to educational assistants?

Q: How can your ministries' address the issues of lack of services and resources in rural areas?

Theme #4 Flexible Funding Models

Reference Recommendation #1 Explore flexible funding models.

- a. Has the JMC discussed a flexible funding model? Would flexibilities include changing the scope of current eligible activities and costs?
- b. What other types of collaborations are being explored or recommended between Federal and Provincial partners to enhance prenatal and early childhood programs?
- c. Are there any anticipated new funding programs – federally or provincially – that our members could access?