Date: March 20, 2007

To: Superintendent Helen Baumann

From: Steven M. Thaxton, PhD-Executive Director

Subject: County Ordinance Changes in Compliance with First 5 Commission

Request

On March 13, 2007 the First 5 Children and Families Commission approved to change the First 5 El Dorado Children and Families Commission Ordinance No. 4693 (Attachment B). This change will allow the First 5 Children and Families Commission to comply with the First 5 California state matched programs. The First 5 California Commission states Prop.10 funding is allocated to children prenatal through age five. The First 5 El Dorado Children and Families Commission original ordinance states funding is for children prenatal to age five.

We are forwarding this Ordinance change for approval by the Board.

1. Change 8.65.020 to read: Findings and Purpose. The board of supervisors herby finds as follows:

The votes of the State of California passed the California Children and Families First Act of 1998. The act recognizes that there is a compelling need in California to create and implement comprehensive, collaborative, and integrated system of information and services to promote, support and optimize early childhood development from the prenatal stage through age five (5) years of age.



ORDINANCE NO.	
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THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 8.65.020 of Chapter 8.65 of Title 8 of the El Dorado County Ordinance Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

8.65.020 Findings and Purpose. The Board of Supervisors hereby finds as follows: The voters of the State of California passed the California Children and Families First Act of 1998. The act recognizes that there is a compelling need in California to create and implement comprehensive, collaborative, and integrated system of information and services to promote, support and optimize early childhood development from the prenatal stage to through five (5) years of age.

The act further recognizes that there is a compelling need in California to ensure that early childhood development programs and services are universally and continuously available for children until the beginning of kindergarten. Proper parenting, nurturing, and health care during these early years will provide the means for California's children to enter school in good health, ready and able to learn, and emotionally well developed.

It is the intent of this ordinance to facilitate the creation and implementation of an integrated, comprehensive, and collaborative system of information and services to enhance optimal early childhood development. This system should function as a network that promotes accessibility to all information and services from any entry point into the system. It is further the intent of this ordinance to emphasize local decision making, to provide for greater local flexibility in designing delivery systems, and to eliminate duplicate administrative systems.

The California Children and Families First Act of 1998 provides for funding through an excise tax on tobacco products in order to implement the goals and objectives, which are outlines in the act itself. It is the further intent of this ordinance to create El Dorado County's Children and Families First Commission and funding through the act and to implement the goals and objectives outlined in the California Children and Families First Act of 1998.

In addition this Ordinance implements the requirements of Assembly Bill 109 (Chapter 284 of Statutes of 2005).

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held on theday of, 2007, by the following vote of said Board:		
	Ayes:	
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ATTEST CINDY KECK	Noes:	
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors	Absent:	
Deputy Clerk	Chairman, Board of Supervisors	
Deputy Clerk	Chairman, board of Supervisors	
I CERTIFY THAT: THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT IS A CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL ON FILE IN THIS OFFICE		
Date		
ATTEST: CINDY KECK, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado, State of California.		
By Deputy Clerk		