



**IOWA COUNCIL FOR EARLY ACCESS**

February 27, 2026

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Iowa Department of Education

Grimes State Office Building, Room B50

400 E. 14<sup>th</sup> Street

Des Moines, IA 50319

[Meeting Minutes](#)

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**2025-2026 Meeting Dates:** 9/26/2025; 12/12/2025; 2/27/2026; 4/24/2026

Time	Item	Topic	Lead
9:00	Action	Call to Order and Welcome Members and Guests ICEA Members 2025-2026	Eric Locke, Chair
9:05	Presentation	Health & Human Services: Thrive Iowa & CAPTA Data & Process Improvement	Shelley Horak & Abby Patterson
10:00	Discussion	Provider Story: Kerri Kramer	Eric Locke, Chair
10:20		Break	
10:30	Discussion	Family Story: Marisa Krivachek	Invited by Keystone AEA, Jeanne Rochford
10:45	Discussion	Early ACCESS Annual Performance Report State Early Childhood Outcome Data	Becky Dodd
11:25	Announcements	Announcements Signatory Agencies or other members	Eric Locke, Chair
11:30	Action	Approval of <a href="#">December 12, 2025 Meeting Minutes</a> Adjournment of ICEA Meeting	Eric Locke, Chair
11:30 - 12:00		Executive Committee Meeting: <a href="#">Members</a>	Executive Committee
		Lunch- bring your own, order and pay on your own to be delivered (working on getting link) or go out on own	
12:30- 2:30		IPIB Training Open Meeting- approximately 2 hours	

Overview: The Iowa Council for Early ACCESS (ICEA) has been established as the council to support the state interagency coordination of Early ACCESS [IAC 281-120.600].

Purpose: The ICEA is to advise and assist the lead agency, *Iowa Department of Education*, working collaboratively with signatory agencies in the coordination, development, and implementation of



policies that constitute the statewide system of early intervention services. Signatory agencies are the *Iowa Department of Health and Human Services and Child Health Specialty Clinics*.

Early ACCESS Vision: Every infant and toddler with or likely to have a developmental delay and their families will be supported and included in their communities so they will be healthy and successful.

Learn more about Early ACCESS on [Iowa Family Support Network](#). Iowa Family Support Network (IFSN) is a statewide system that provides information and resources to expecting families or families with young children and professionals that serve them. You will find information that include: early intervention for infants and toddlers (Early ACCESS); family support services; group-based parent education programs; and prenatal services.

ICEA Members	Agency or Affiliation	ICEA Representation
Eric Locke, Chair	Family	Parents
Rozanne Warder, Vice Chair	Early Childhood Iowa Board (ECI)	Early Childhood Iowa
Annette Hyde, Member at Large	Keystone Area Education Agency	Early ACCESS grantee administrators
Sarah Haberl, Parent	Family	Parents
Karen Lauer	Family	Parents
McKaylee Heuton	Family	Parents
Jessica Burger	Grant Wood Area Education Agency	Early ACCESS grantee administrators
Karen Thompson	ASK Resource Center	Parent Training & Information Center
Julie Jones	Saint Ambrose University	Personnel Preparation
Gayle Murray	Compass Clinical Associates	Child Mental Health Services
Tonya Weber	New Opportunities, Inc., Head Start	Early Head Start & Head Start
Julie Watts	Iowa Insurance Division	Agency for health insurance
Michael Bergan	Iowa House of Representatives	State Legislature
Kimberly Villotti	Iowa Department of Education	Early ACCESS Lead Agency; Early Childhood Special Education, Part B Sec. 619
John Bernat	Iowa Child Health Specialty Clinics	Early ACCESS Signatory Agency
Shelley Horak	Iowa Department of Health and Human Services	Early ACCESS Signatory Agency
Mykala Beard	Iowa Department of Health and Human Services	Early ACCESS Signatory Agency

<b>Early ACCESS State Team and Staff to ICEA</b>	Celeste Mortvedt, Department of Education	Becky Dodd, Department of Education	Tonya Krueger, Child Health Specialty Clinics	Meghan Miller, Department of Health and Human Services	Abby Patterson, Department of Health and Human Services
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# Early ACCESS

In Iowa, the [Department of Education](#), [Area Education Agencies \(AEAs\)](#), [Department of Health & Humans Services](#), and [University of Iowa Child Health Specialty Clinics](#) partner and collaborate to ensure quality early intervention services are provided to eligible individuals, birth to 3, as outlined in Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Early intervention services, supports, and activities are provided at no cost to parents. Below is a map indicating the AEAs and the areas they serve.

