

FSSAC QUARTERLY MEETING AGENDA

Date | time August 22, 2025, | 9:00 – 11:30 AM | *Virtual Meeting*

FSSAC Members

New Co-Chair: Nicole Goeddel

Representative Sue Vinton, Breanne Main, Karen Underwood, Kendra Grass, Kali Decker, Laura Christiaens, Susan Wensel, Lucy Beltz, Brandi Loch, Meghan Peel, Mark Douglass, Laura Kneedler, Daylinda Bradley, Thresa Board, Jeanne Massey, and Justine Guthrie

Part C Coordinator: Josh Kendrick Part C Team: Shari Northcott, Liz Wood, and Lynn McHann

Special Education Fact:

Part H to Part C: First authorized in 1986, the early intervention program was known as Part H of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). It became Part C with the reauthorization of IDEA in 1997 and continues as Part C to the present day.

9:00 – 9:45	Welcome Mission and Vision Statements Ground Rules, and Agenda Review Introductions and Attendance Approval of 5/30/2025, minutes Family Story: Family Story: Early Childhood Intervention (DEAP) Windfall campaign video Reports from work groups and next steps with timelines: 1) Workforce - Increase multidisciplinary engagement and collaboration; and 2) Coordination - Improve transitions for children and families exiting Part C services and supports. Update on councilmembers appointment letters for 2024-2026 term	Chair Nicole Goeddel Family Story Windfall Work force: Josh Kendrick Coordination: Shari Northcott
9:45 – 10:00	Guest Speaker Haley from the Sandbox Project	

10:00-10:10	Break	
10:10-11:00	Guest Speaker Jenn Banna- Montana Family to Family Health Information Center	
11:00-11:20	Part C Coordinator Updates	Josh Kendrick
11:20-11:25	Reminder the next meeting is November 14 th , 2025	Shari Northcott
11:25 – 11:30	Public Comment	
	Parking Lot:	

FSSAC Strategic Plan:

Mission: All families are supported to help their children achieve their highest potential.

Vision: We empower families to help their children succeed by advising and assisting Montana Milestones Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Program.

Ground Rules:

- Watch your airtime.
- No axes to grind.
- Follow FSSAC guidelines.
- Respect for all comments – all voices are heard as we work together.
- Assume positive intent and take responsibility for impact.
- Be here now.
- Listen to learn – active form of participation.