



- Indiana is home to roughly 168,000 preschool children aged 3 and 4. That means there are about 84,000 pre-k children – those at 4 years of age.
- About two-thirds of those children (66%) **NEED** care from other adults, because their parents are part of Indiana’s workforce.
- That means about 111,000 of Indiana’s 168,000 3 and 4 year olds **NEED** care because their parents work...but only 91,000 of these kids are in known care...a formal setting licensed or registered by the state. The rest – the other 20,000 – are being cared for in an informal setting – cared for by a family, friend, or neighbor.
- Indiana offers a mixed-delivery system – with multiple types of formal providers. Although the largest number of providers are family child care, they typically take care of just a few children. Centers and public schools tend to have larger number of kids attending.
- But it’s not enough for kids just to be in a formal setting - in order for pre-K investments to make a difference, kids need to be in a setting that is rated high-quality.
- Statewide, only 30,000 (27%) of the preschool kids who need care are getting what IN considers to be a high quality educational experience.
- Access to a high quality education varies tremendously by county, with 9 counties having no access to high quality programs.
- So if high quality is key to delivering results, 2 things are needed – a quality early education experience needs to be more accessible and it needs to be more affordable.
- Increased access to high-quality requires Indiana to invest in more seats (classrooms) – and more staff (credentialed coached, and compensated teachers).
- In terms of affordability, on average, it costs \$7,800 per year for one preschooler to attend a high quality program.
- Families in poverty would have to dedicate over 40% of their income to pay for a high quality provider.
- Federal and state dollars already are used in Indiana to assist some of the poorest families. But the vast majority (2/3) of the \$1.3 billion spent each year on Indiana’s early education, is paid for by families themselves.
- Roughly 12,000 of Indiana’s poorest 84,000 4 year olds are being served by federal programs (Head Start; CCDF) or state pilots (EEMG, On My Way). However, that means tens of thousands of 4 year olds (at or slightly above poverty levels) receive no subsidies to make care affordable.
- Research shows that state pilots **ARE** effectively delivering positive outcomes for children (kindergarten readiness academically and socially) **AND** their families (more work hours; better jobs; additional education).

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Annual Needs Assessment

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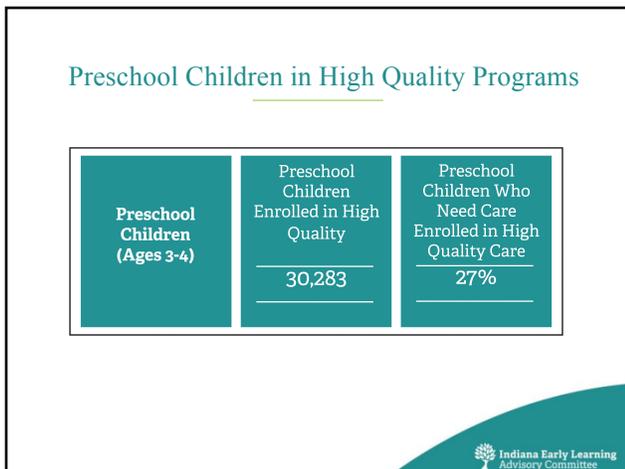
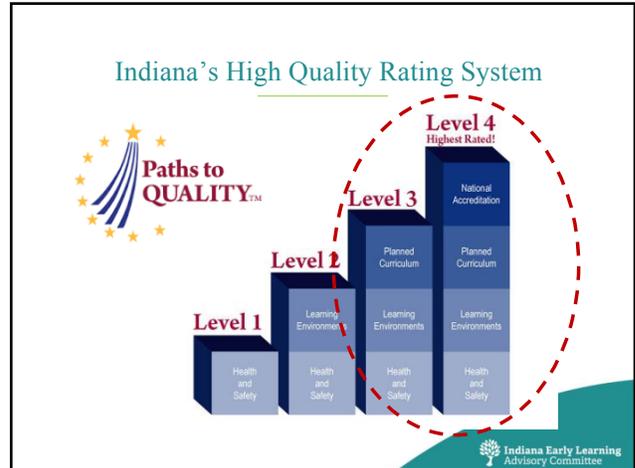
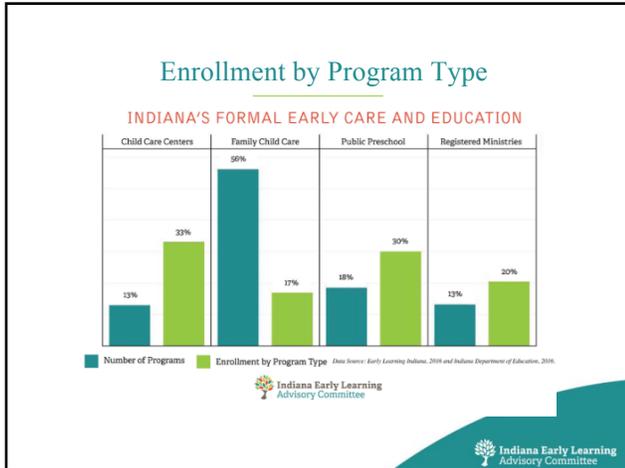
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Hoosier Young Children

<b>Preschool Children (Ages 3-4)</b>	Preschool Children	Pre-K Children	Young Children in Poverty	Indiana's Children Live in Households Where All Parents Work
	168,454	84,333	26%	66%

Preschool Children

<b>Preschool Children (Ages 3-4)</b>	Preschool Children Who Need Care	Preschool Children Enrolled in Known Care	Percent of Preschool Children Enrolled in Known Care
	111,179	91,021	82%



### High Quality Pre-K will be



Accessible for all children and families



Affordable for at-risk families



### Accessible

#### Build Capacity



Seats



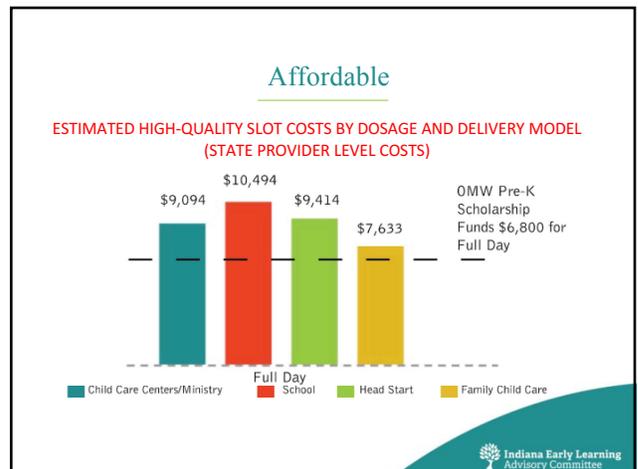
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### Accessible

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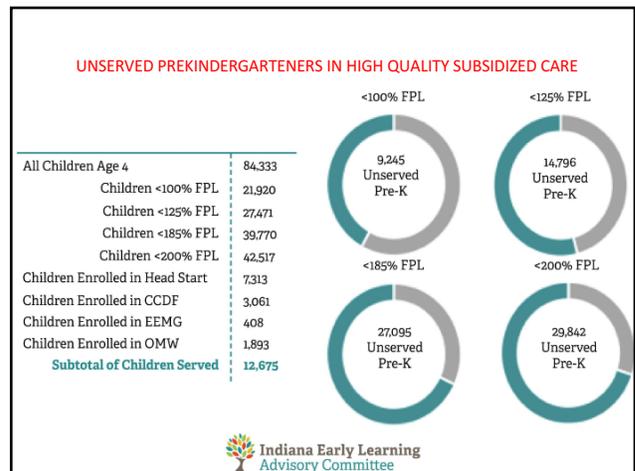
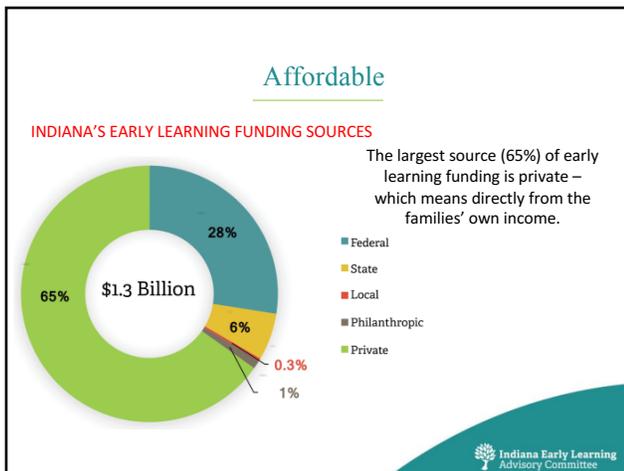
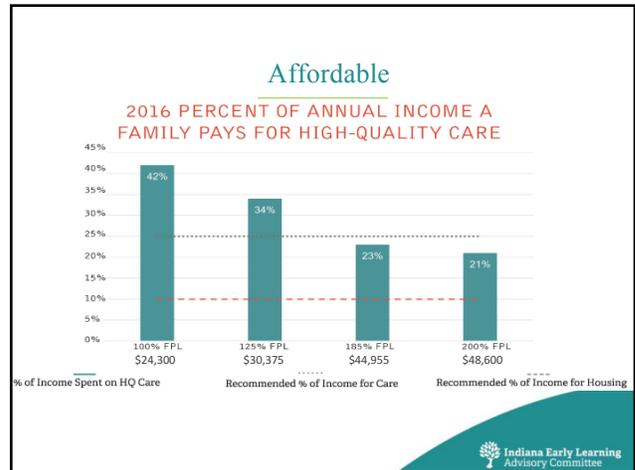
- Credentials
- Coaching
- Consistency (retention)



### Affordable

#### 2016 AVERAGE COST OF HIGH-QUALITY CARE BY PROGRAM TYPE AND AGE

	Infant/Toddler	Preschool	Average 0-5
Child Care Centers	\$11,122	\$9,044	\$10,170
Family Child Care	\$7,029	\$6,417	\$6,778
Registered Ministries	\$9,810	\$8,010	\$8,976
State Average	\$9,320	\$7,824	\$8,482



## Pilot Results

### STATE PRE-K PILOT PROGRAMS

#### Early Education Matching Grant:

- Competitive Grant
- Children are below 100% FPL
- 408 Children Enrolled
- PTQ Level 3 and 4
- 19 Pre-K Programs
- In 14 Counties
- Lead Teacher has a BA Degree
- EEMG has a 100% match
- Began in the 2014-2015 school year

#### On My Way Pre-K:

- Scholarship Voucher
- Children are below 127% FPL
- 2,421 Children Enrolled
- PTQ Level 3, 4 or Accredited
- 193 Pre-K Programs
- In 5 Counties
- No requirement for Lead Teacher to have BA
- OMW has a 10% match
- Began in January 2015

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## Pilot Results

- **Children** made substantial gains in kindergarten readiness, overcoming delays and decreasing at-risk behaviors.
- **Children** outpace the comparison group on language comprehension, early literacy skills, executive functioning and social skills.
- Positive impact on **families** including improved earnings and/or education for parents.
  - Of the children enrolled in OMW programs, 34% would be at home if not for the OMW program.
  - Families of children enrolled in OMW programs report that they increased work or school hours (51%), were able to get a new job (35%), or began school or job training (33%).

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## Questions

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