

# Alameda Quality Counts Leveraging Resources & Systems

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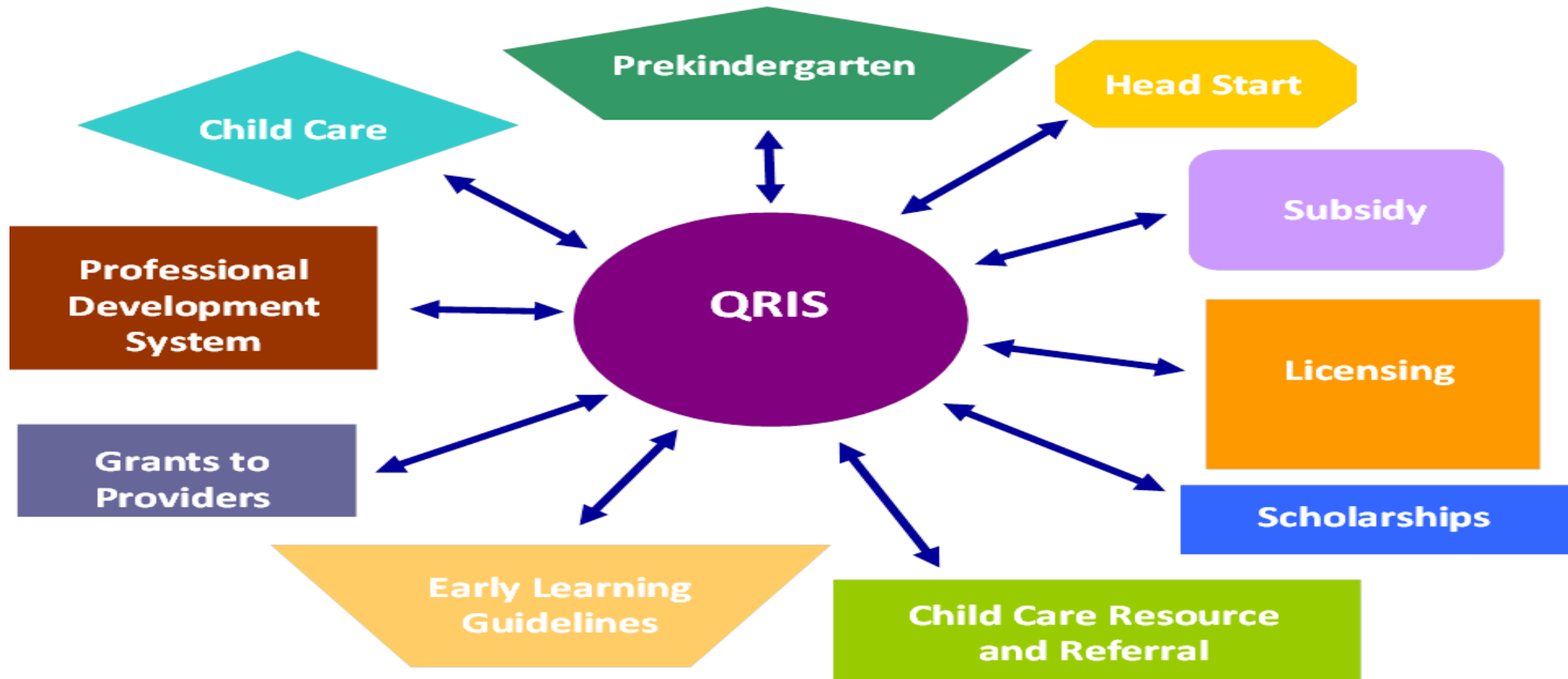
# RATIONALE FOR INTEGRATION

- Reduce duplication of services
- Lessen paper (e.g. decrease reports)
- Easier administration
- Continue to streamline AB212 & QRIS



# Quality Counts Alameda County System

## QRIS System Linkages





Quality Counts is Alameda County's system jointly operated system that aligns **funding** and **services** to support and improve quality in early care and education programs.

Quality Improvement Initiative

Quality Improvement Grants

A quality support system with over 200 **ECE** programs **participating** – member of CA QRIS

2001

2011

2017

Race To The Top Early Learning Challenge Grant

# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## Growing Engagement

Increased participation of early care and education sites and increasing reach

- **256** ECE programs participating
- **194** sites with current ratings – 90 more than this time last year
- **58** sites in “pre-rating” quality improvement
- **11,086** children and their families served by programs and caregivers committed to quality



# PLANNING COUNCIL....

- AB 212

Agencies	Individual Staff
28	878

- Quality Counts Advisory Committee - 20 members

# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## Professional Development Coordination

Quality Counts coordinated and aligned professional development calendars across multiple organizations to ensure that available training was:

- Responsive to provider's stated needs
- Aligned to the California Quality Framework
- Coordinated to facilitate cross referral and communication

AB212 saw a 20% increase in participating educators who completed 21 hours of continuing education

# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## Resources to Sites

\$208,212 dollars distributed to 84 sites with emerging quality (unrated or 2 and 3 star)

\$1,197,676 dollars distributed to 125 sites with high quality (4 and 5 star, 214 classrooms)



# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## Leadership

- Emerging Leaders for Equity were convened to support leadership development among educators of color
- Quality Counts Symposium convened program leaders to hear SEQUAL findings and develop strategies to improve working conditions



# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## Setting the Stage for a Sustainable Future

- Making the case that quality matters and that coaching and professional development are effective investments
- A place at the table for Quality Counts in policy making and advocacy
- Poised to be an integral part of new City and County Children's Initiatives
- Earning the trust and respect of educators and families



If you want to go fast, go alone.

If you want to go far, go together.

– African Proverb



