Building Blocks of Early Care and Education in Illinois:
The Foundation for Future Success

**Prevention Initiative**
- **Eligibility:** Children 0-3, prioritize children at risk for academic failure based on local
- **Program delivery:** Home-based, center-based interventions
- **Funding:** State

**Early Head Start (Below 100% FPL)***
- **Eligibility:** Children 0-3, homeless, teen parents, and foster care families
- **Program delivery:** Home-based, center-based
- **Funding:** Federal

**Early Intervention**
- **Eligibility:** Children 0-3, identified to be at-risk of a delay of at least 30%
- **Program delivery:** Developmental therapists provide home-based or center-based services
- **Funding:** Federal, state, medical insurance, parent co-pay based on income

**Preschool for All (Below 200% FPL)**
- **Eligibility:** Children 3-5, priority populations are locally defined
- **Program delivery:** Half-day, full-day community- or school-based options
- **Funding:** State

**Head Start (Below 100% FPL)**
- **Eligibility:** Children 3-5, or homeless, teen parents, and foster care families
- **Program delivery:** Half-day, full-day community- or school-based options
- **Funding:** Federal

**Early Intervention**
- **Eligibility:** Children 3-5, identified to be at-risk for academic failure based on local
- **Program delivery:** Center-based care, home-based care (licensed or licensed-exempt providers)
- **Funding:** Federal and state

**Home Visiting**
- **Eligibility:** Prenatal to age 3, there are program specific criteria but typically prioritizes low-income families
- **Evidence-Based Programs:** Early Head Start (EHS), Healthy Families Illinois (HFI), Nurse-Family Partnerships (NFP), Parents as Teachers (PAT), Doula Community Partnership, Baby TALK, Parents Too Soon, and Healthy Steps
- **Funding:** Federal and state

**Child Care Assistance Program (C-CAP)**
- **Eligibility:** Children six weeks to age 12. As of November 9, 2015 Gov. Rauner’s administration restricted enrollment to four priority populations: Teen parents enrolled in school/GED program full time, children with special needs, families receiving TANF, and families living below 162% FPL.
- **Program delivery:** Center-based care, home-based care (licensed or licensed-exempt providers)
- **Funding:** Federal and state. Parents contribute a co-payment depending on income and family size

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*Federal Poverty Level (FPL) Guidelines for a family of four: Family income 100% of the threshold is $24,250 Source: http://aspe.hhs.gov/
**This sheet is for informational purposes of early childhood education programs in Illinois. For more specific program information please visit http://www.partnerplanact.org/*