

**Vermont Early Childhood Advocacy Alliance
2022 Legislative Agenda
Requests for Consideration**

[NOTE – please add page numbers/header to your application]

Sponsoring Organization, Contact Person/Title, Phone, Email:

Suggested Name of Issue/Proposed Initiative:

1) Briefly describe the issue and solution/proposed initiative. What are you asking the Legislature to do? [1 paragraph]

2) How does your issue/initiative align with the Alliance’s mission statement and issue areas? [20 pts.] [2-3 sentences]

3) The Alliance is committed to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion through its legislative advocacy. Describe how your proposal embodies these principles through advocacy or policy actions that eliminate inequities, dismantle systems of oppression, and/or support initiatives that are led by and for historically-underrepresented and excluded communities. Please be specific. [10 pts.] [1 paragraph]

4) What are your main talking points for how your solution/proposed initiative would positively impact Vermont children and families? If possible, please use data/metrics, etc. in answering. [20 pts.] [2 paragraphs or 3-5 talking points]

5) Provide some public policy background and/or research that supports your issue/initiative. (Examples: academic studies, impact data, etc.) [10 pts.] [2-3 paragraphs]

6) *List the specific internal resources/capacity and activities your organization(s) will commit to the issue/initiative and any limitations.
(Examples: 2 part-time staff, 10 volunteers, email list of 80 stake-holders, annual legislative event, retaining a lobbying firm, etc.) [15 pts.]*

7) *Describe where this issue is in the legislative process, and what the prospects are for 2022. Tell us about your goals for the biennium, and if applicable, your legislative engagement and/or your legislative champions. [10 pts.] [2 paragraphs]*

8) *Describe how you are working collaboratively with other organizations, legislators, and/or the Administration on this issue/initiative. [15 pts.] [1 paragraph]*

9) *Vermont's Early Childhood Action Plan (VECAP) is a guiding document for policy and advocacy work in our early childhood community. Please describe any ways in which your proposal aligns with the goals, objectives, and strategies outlined in the VECAP. [1 paragraph]*

10) *What specific resources and assistance are you seeking from the Alliance members and staff? [1 paragraph]*

11) *If you are seeking state funding, how much, and is this for a one-time expenditure/request or an on-going one?*