

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FIRST COMMISSION (First 5)

PURPOSE: Prop 10 passed in 1998 - recognizing the need to create and implement a comprehensive, collaborative, and integrated system of information and services to promote, support and optimize early childhood development from prenatal stage to five (5) years of age. Further there is a need to ensure that early childhood development programs and services are universally and continuously available for children until the beginning of kindergarten.

ESTABLISHED: Ordinance 1014, adopted April 20, 1999. Amended by Ordinance 1030, 9-12-00. Amended again by Ordinance 1034, 12-5-00, by Ordinance 1054, 9-3-02, and Ordinance 1245, 09-10-19.

COMPOSITION: Eight members: one (1) member of the Board of Supervisors, the Health and Human Services Director or his/her designee, one (1) designee of the HHS Director from persons listed at Health & Safety Code Section 130140 (a)(1)(A)(i), and four (4) members who represent any of the following categories: (a) recipients of project services included in the County Strategic Plan; (b) educators specializing in early childhood development; (c) representatives of local child care resource or referral agency, or a local child care coordinating group (d) representatives of a local organization for prevention or early intervention for families at risk (e) representatives of community-based organizations that have the goal of promoting nurturing and early childhood development (f) representatives of local school districts and (g) representatives of a local medical, pediatric, or obstetric associations or societies; and one alternate.

TERM: Three years and until the appointment of his/her successor

MEMBERS:

	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Last Appointed</u>	
HHS Director: Anna Scott	12/05/2026	02/06/2024	
HHS Designee Darcia Blackdeer-Lent	12/05/2024	04/26/2022	BOS Reps (Appointed Annually)
Community Commissioner: Recruitment Underway	12/05/2027	XXXXXXX	Supervisor Trina Orrill P.O. Drawer N Independence, CA 93526 (760) 878-8818 torrill@inyocounty.us
Early Education Commissioner: Heather Carr	12/05/2026	01/16/2024	
Health Commissioner: Recruitment Underway	12/05/2027	XXXXXXX	Alternate: Supervisor Jeff Griffiths P.O. Drawer N Independence, CA 93526 (760) 937-0072 jgriffiths@inyocounty.us
Early Child Health Commissioner: Josie Rogers	12/05/2026	03/05/2024	
Alternate: Recruitment Underway	12/05/2026	XXXXXXXXXX	

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