



May 10, 2018

Kim Nall and Dion Wood, Tribal Co-chairs
Tribal Child Care Association of California
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Dear Ms. Nall and Mr. Wood:

As you know, the Tribal Child Care Association of California (TCCAC) was recently awarded a Quality Counts California Regional Certification and Coordination Grant. As a recipient of this grant, the California Department of Education, Early Education and Support Division, and First 5 California are pleased to announce that Tribal communities within California will now comprise the newest region within Quality Counts California.

Quality Counts California is a statewide system of locally-implemented quality rating and improvement systems (QRIS), which helps to connect parents and families to high-quality early learning and care programs, and ensures infants, toddlers, and preschool-age children have quality early learning experiences in their local communities. Quality Counts California also provides resources and support to early learning and care providers so they can create nourishing and effective early learning and care programs that will help children grow and thrive.

The TCCAC region will be known as the Region 11 – TCC (Tribal Child Care) Consortium and will cover tribes residing within the state of California and any of their child care programs that participate in your consortium.

We are looking forward to our continued partnership with the Tribes in California, and as a Region, we are excited to support your continued work in the Tribal communities by encouraging ongoing participation and building an infrastructure that works best for your consortium.

In partnership,

Sarah Neville-Morgan, Director
Early Education and Support Division
California Department of Education

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First 5 California

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