

Chiang Lim

From: Daryl Currie [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 1 May 2026 1:02 PM
To: Chiang Lim
Subject: RE: Request two annual online presentations/discussions by/with the NSW Early Learning Commissioner

Dear Mr Lim,

The Commission has assessed your request and determined that it is not in line with our engagement priorities.

The Commission already engages with the sector via online webinars that include question and answer sessions. We promote this across the sector, and it is open to all who wish to join regardless of any union, association or lobby group with which they are aligned.

I encourage your members to take advantage of these sessions as up to date information about the Commission's priorities and activities are included.

The Commission is always happy to consider hosting webinars on topics suggested by members of the sector. Any member of the Australian Childcare Alliance NSW is welcome to submit suggested topics for the Commission's consideration

I note that you are a member of ECAG and therefore you receive access to Commission presentations and question and answer sessions that you can report to your members.

As stated previously, if you wish to invite the Commission to an individual meeting to give a presentation to your members about our work, we will determine whether someone may be able to attend at the time requested.

In the future the Commission will be calling for expressions of interest from across the early learning sector for membership of the Commission's own advisory group. If you wish to deepen your knowledge of the Commission and its work your organisation may wish to apply for membership of this body.

Regards

Daryl Currie (he/him)
Acting Commissioner
NSW Early Learning Commission

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From: Chiang Lim <chiang.lim@childcarealliance.org.au>

Sent: Thursday, 2 April 2026 12:15 PM

To: Daryl Currie [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Request two annual online presentations/discussions by/with the NSW Early Learning Commissioner

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Dear Mr Currie,

Thank you for your e-mail response on 26 March 2026.

In light of your advice, may I request two online presentations/discussions with you per year via our Zoom webinar platform (that can host up to 500 attendees) using the following format:

1. An up to 90-minutes live-and-recorded webinar on two Monday evenings per year.
2. A 20-minute presentation (with slides) by the NSW Early Learning Commissioner.
3. Followed by a 10-minute discussion with the NSW Early Learning Commission with the ACA NSW host.
4. The remaining 60-minutes is facilitated by the ACA NSW host with questions posed to the NSW Early Learning Commissioner.
5. The ACA NSW host may choose to discuss the question further with the NSW Early Learning Commissioner in a conversational format. The ACA NSW host may choose to allow certain participants to interact by requesting their audio and video to be turned on.
6. Questions are either submitted in advance or live. Questions collected will be shared with the NSW Early Learning Commissioner at least 3 days before the agreed dates.
7. All questions will be compiled and shared with the NSW Early Learning Commission.
8. The recorded videos will only be available to ACA NSW members behind the member-access virtual wall, especially for those who are unable to attend live.
9. ACA NSW members and non-members to be invited without charge. However, access will be prioritised to ACA NSW members.

We are considering to entitle this as “Early Insights Online”, with a focus on finding solutions to problems and challenges our sector faces for the benefit of children and their families.

Would you kindly consider the above requests and, if agreed, advise a list of your availabilities of Monday evenings for the remainder of 2026. We will work with you to confirm the two Monday evenings for 2026.

Please feel free to make suggestions on how else you would like to engage with ACA NSW members and non-members.

Thanking you in anticipation.

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From: Daryl Currie [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 26 March 2026 9:08 AM
To: Chiang Lim <chiang.lim@childcarealliance.org.au>
Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: REMINDER: Invitation to be on the panel at next ACA NSW Inner Circle evening (25 May 2026) at Wenty Leagues Club

Dear Mr Lim,

Senior Officers of the Early Learning Commission have considered our involvement in Inner Circle events run by the ACA and it has been determined that the attendance of any Commission officers is not appropriate.

This decision has been made due to several factors including:

- It is not appropriate for a regulatory agency to be contributing to an event that is run by a private concern which requires payment for attendance. This gives the impression that attendees have paid for access to the regulator, especially seeing that non-members are able to access this event at a higher monetary amount.
- The Commission supplies an online educational service regarding its processes and decision making to the sector on a regular basis and this is available across the whole state. This service is supplied free of charge, and we are planning to grow this throughout 2026/2027. We have discussed the fact that due to these factors it is not appropriate for Commission officers to be engaged in a 'pay for information' event. While we are happy to liaise with the sector in sharing the ways in which we manage our regulatory functions this is conducted on a non-financial basis.
- Commission officers are cognisant of our ethical requirement to uphold the standards expected of the Public Service. As a group we have determined that supporting a commercial concern via the use of a public resource is not in keeping with those values.

As stated in my email of 8 January 2026 I am happy to organise members of the Commission, including myself, to present to your members on matters associated with the Commission's work.

However, in order to align with both our regulatory responsibilities and the ethical expectations such presentations should not require your members to pay additional fees beyond the requirements of their annual membership.

I wish you well with any future events.

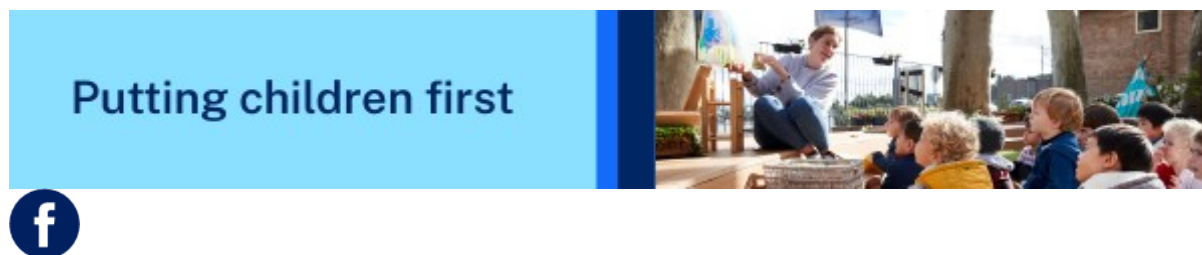
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