

# DHLW Early Childhood Area

*Des Moines, Henry, Louisa, Washington*

Early Childhood Iowa is a statewide initiative that provides local funding for programs serving all families with children 0-5 years old. The DHLW Early Childhood Area Board consists of up to 15 members representing citizens, elected officials, education, health, human services, faith, business, and consumer. The Board determines community needs for young children, establishes priorities, and provides funding for local programs offering services to families who reside in Des Moines, Henry, Louisa, and Washington counties.

**Vision** – Every child beginning at birth will be safe, healthy, and successful.

**Mission** – The DHLW Early Childhood Area community works together to maximize the status of the health, safety, education and care of children (prenatal through 5 years) and their families.

## Board Membership Application

DHLW board membership requires an average of 2-3 hours per month for a 3-year term, unless fulfilling a shorter term held by a previous member. Members may be asked to serve on ad-hoc committees as needed and attend an extended annual meeting in April/May.

ECI regulations require that every early childhood area board have at least one member representing the positions noted below. Please mark the position that might be a good fit for you:

- Business     Elected Official     Human Services     Health     Faith     Education     Citizen  
 Consumer/Parent (must be primary caregiver of a child or have a grandchild less than 6 years of age)

### Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address to receive mail: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Best Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Background

Are you a direct or indirect recipient of ECI funds or services?     Yes     No     Not sure

Work Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

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Other Board/Volunteer Experience: \_\_\_\_\_  
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What skills can you contribute to the Board: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Discuss your interest in serving on the Board: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Any other information you would like to share: \_\_\_\_\_  
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How did you find out about the Early Childhood Iowa Board (ECI): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this application to:**

DHLW Early Childhood Area, PO Box 882, Washington IA 52353 or email [tbeghtol@dhlw.org](mailto:tbeghtol@dhlw.org)  
If you have any questions about the DHLW Early Childhood Area please contact Tasha Beghtol at 319-461-1369.