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INFORMATION    ACTION

**SUBJECT: IMPROVE AND MAXIMIZE PROGRAMS SO ALL CHILDREN THRIVE (IMPACT) BRIEFS**

### **SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE**

Staff is sharing the following two briefs, which were funded by First 5 California:

- The Role of Regional Hubs in Quality Counts California

This brief summarizes the role of First 5 California's IMPACT investment in Regional Hubs for the Quality Counts California (QCC) quality rating and improvement system (QRIS). The brief describes how Regional Hubs support training and professional development for technical assistance providers, coaches, trainers, and QRIS administrators and how they promote equity throughout their activities.

- Preschool Quality, Child Development, and First 5 California Investment in IMPACT

This brief provides an IMPACT-specific context for the report *Preschool Quality and Child Development: How Are Learning Gains Related to Program Ratings?* The report summarizes a study investigating the relationships between preschool quality, based on the QCC system, and children's learning and development. The study provides new information about the association between program quality ratings and child-level data from publicly supported preschools in California.

### **SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

Both briefs were developed during the term of IMPACT 2020 and have informed the development of IMPACT Legacy, as presented to the Commission in October 2022.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- A. The Role of Regional Hubs in Quality Counts California
- B. Preschool Quality, Child Development, and First 5 California Investment in IMPACT