

**Intent of Prop 10:** *It is the intent of this act to facilitate the creation and implementation of an integrated, comprehensive, and collaborative system of information and services to enhance optimal early childhood development. This system should function as a network that promotes accessibility to all information and services from any entry point into the system. It is further the intent of this act to emphasize local decision-making, to provide for greater local flexibility in designing delivery systems, and to eliminate duplicate administrative systems.*

**Our Vision:** Every child in Alameda County will have optimal health, development and wellbeing to reach his or her greatest potential.

**Our Mission:** In partnership with the community, we support a county-wide continuous prevention and early intervention system that promotes optimal health and development, narrows disparities and improves the lives of children 0 to 5 and their families.

**Role of the Commission** (from Prop 10)

(A) The county commission shall be appointed by the board of supervisors and shall consist of at least five but not more than nine members.

- (i) Two members of the county commission shall be from among the county health officer and persons responsible for management of the following county functions: children's services, public health services, behavioral health services, social services, and tobacco and other substance abuse prevention and treatment services.
- (ii) One member of the county commission shall be a member of the board of supervisors.
- (iii) The remaining members of the county commission shall be from among the persons described in clause (i) and persons from the following categories: recipients of project services included in the county strategic plan; educators specializing in early childhood development; representatives of a local child care resource or referral agency, or a local child care coordinating group; representatives of a local organization for prevention or early intervention for families at risk; representatives of community-based organizations that have the goal of promoting nurturing and early childhood development; representatives of local school districts; and representatives of local medical, pediatric, or obstetric associations or societies.

(B) The manner of appointment, selection, or removal of members of the county commission, the duration and number of terms county commission members shall serve, and any other matters that the board of supervisors deems necessary or convenient for the conduct of the county commission's activities, provided that members of the county commission shall not be compensated for their services, except they shall be paid reasonable per diem and reimbursement of reasonable expenses for attending meetings and discharging other official responsibilities as authorized by the county commission.

Alameda County has 4 year terms with a limit of 12 years.

(C) The requirement that the county commission adopt an adequate and complete county strategic plan for the support and improvement of early childhood development within the county.