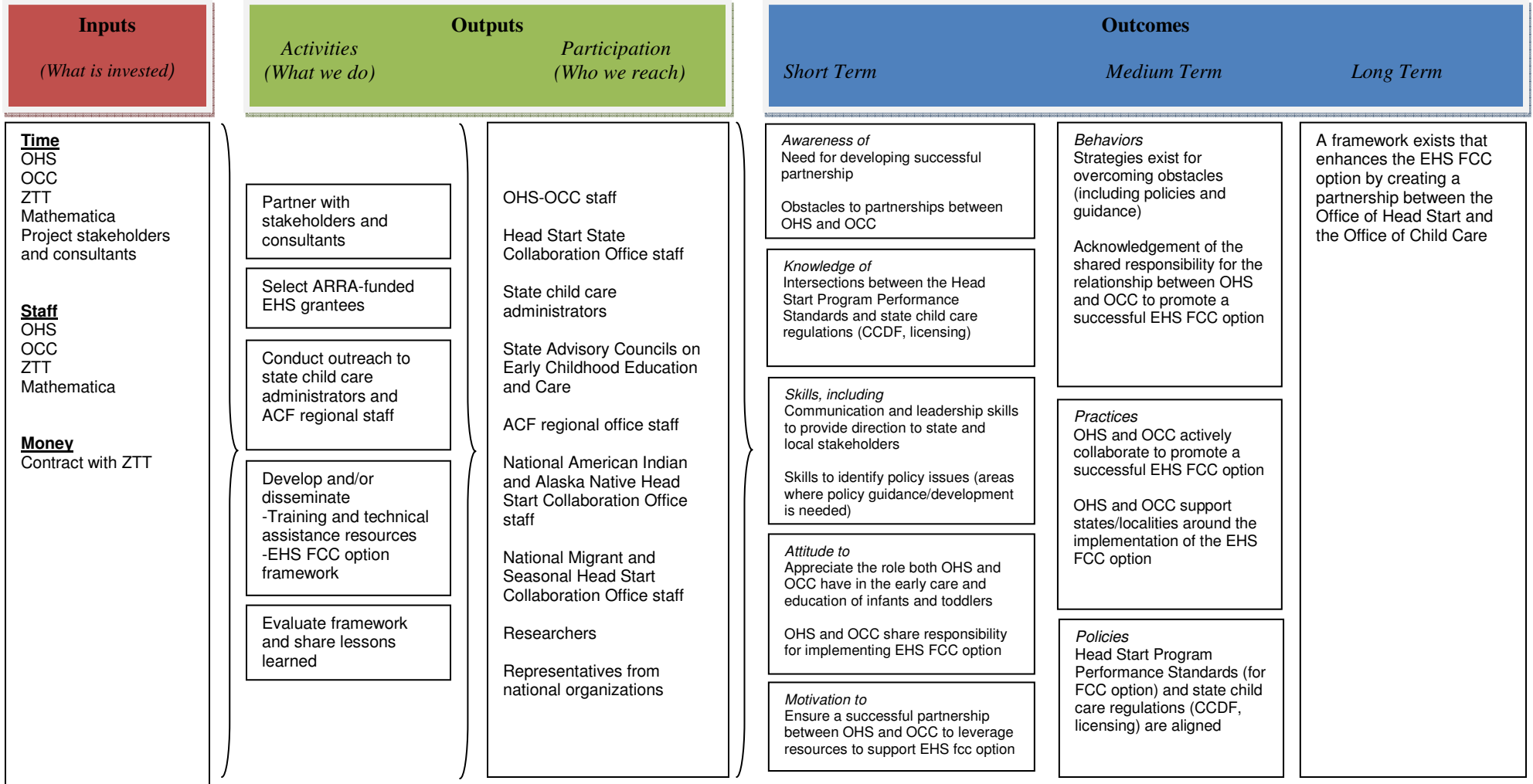


Project: The Early Head Start for Family Child Care Project Logic Model – National Level

Purpose: The Early Head Start for Family Child Care Project (EHS for FCC) is funded to design, implement and evaluate a replicable framework that supports a partnership between Early Head Start and family child care. This project will increase quality for low-income children in family child care homes by leveraging comprehensive services that include health and social services.



Assumptions
Some ARRA-funded EHS grantees are implementing the EHS FCC option; other grantees proposed plans for the EHS FCC option in their grant applications; a third group of grantees are considering the EHS FCC as an option but have not begun developing plans.

OHS and OCC will create a partnership through the implementation of the FCC option.

OHS and OCC will promote the implementation of the FCC option at the state level to support the development of a system for partnership between EHS grantees and FCC providers.

OHS and OCC will work with the ACF regional offices, Head Start State Collaboration Offices, and child care state administrators to establish systems for technical assistance for EHS grantees and FCC providers.

External Factors
EHS grantees interested in implementing the FCC option need access to training and technical assistance.

Center-based care is typically viewed as being of higher quality than FCC settings.

The proportion of children in FCC is higher for infants and toddlers and children in lower-income families than for other forms of care.

The Head Start Program Performance Standards do not always align with state policies on child care subsidies.