## ECEBC invites you to learn the facts

Together we can significantly improve the early care and learning opportunities of British Columbians by 2027





Researching, educating and advocating for the elements of the \$10aDay Plan

Let's face it: BC is experiencing a child care crisis of unaffordable care, an inadequate number of spaces, and unfair or inadequate wages for many educators.

Let's fix it: Early Childhood Educators of BC (ECEBC) wants to educate you about the proposed \$10aDay Plan for a quality, affordable child care system. The Plan requires an investment in early care and learning. The Plan provides increased operating funds to child care centres to ensure:

- The cost of child care for families is only \$10 a day per child full-time, \$7 a day per child part-time, or free for families earning under \$40,000.
- Educators earn a fair wage averaging \$25 per hour, plus benefits. This reflects the value of their qualifications and work.
- All children have access to high-quality child care.

## Here are some myths and facts about the proposed \$10aDay Plan:

## MYTH 1:

Investment in child care is not important. Resources should be directed elsewhere.

## FACT 1:

Children's brains undergo 90% of their social, emotional and cognitive development in their first five years of life. High-quality, play-based child care, and familiar, consistent caregiving are shown to help provide children with a foundation of success for the rest of their lives. The early years matter — it's time BC joins other proactive provinces and countries by investing in their children.

