

Board Meeting  
January 23, 2014

TRANSFER THE CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CENTER,  
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, CHICAGO

**Action:** Transfer the Child and Family Development Center, College of Education

**Funding:** No New Funding Required

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago, and Vice President, University of Illinois with the advice of the Chicago Senate and the Colleges of Education and Applied Health Sciences, recommends the transfer of the Child and Family Development Center from the College of Education to the Institute on Disability and Human Development, College of Applied Health Sciences.

The Child and Family Development Center (CFDC) was approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) as a permanent center in 2009. The primary goal of the CFDC is to improve developmental outcomes for young children with and without disabilities and their families at the local, State, and national level. It addresses this goal by working concurrently in the areas of public service, research, and training. The Institute on Disability and Human Development (IDHD), an IBHE-approved permanent institute since 1998, has a related mission. Specifically, the IDHD works to eliminate or reduce barriers for people with disabilities through activities in four core areas: training and continuing education, direct services, technical assistance, and research and information dissemination.

The transfer of the CFDC from the College of Education to the IDHD was originally discussed in early 2013. Following a series of conversations to address the benefits and costs of the transfer, both colleges agreed the transfer constitutes a good programmatic fit with a stronger fiscal base and outlook in the College of Applied Health Sciences. Most significantly, the CFDC will augment IDHD's lifespan approach to addressing disparities for people with disabilities, filling a current gap in the area of early intervention, and expanding the range of clinical, research and educational services currently provided by IDHD. The colleges have articulated and agreed upon guidelines for how the transfer impacts personnel, student training, financial operations, and space.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The Vice President for Academic Affairs concurs with this recommendation. The University Senates Conference has indicated that no further Senate jurisdiction is involved.

The President of the University recommends approval. This action is subject to further review and approval by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.