

Family Support & Home Visiting Conference November 14 – 15, 2022

*Hershey Lodge Convention Center
325 University Dr, Hershey, PA 17033*

Monday, November 14th

Time	Session Description	Room
8:00 – 10:00	Coffee/Tea available	Hallway outside of Cocoa 2 & 3
8:00 – 10:00	Registration	Cocoa Lobby
9:00 – 9:45	Western and Central Regional Group Ashley Ankeny, Family Support Consultant, Early Intervention Technical Assistance	Trinidad
9:00 – 9:45	Southeast Regional Group Heather Powell, Family Support Consultant, Early Intervention Technical Assistance	Cocoa Suite 1
9:00 – 9:45	Central and Northeast Regional Group Andrew Dietz, Family Support Program Manager, BEISFS/OCDEL	Cocoa Terrace
9:45 – 10:00	Travel Break	
10:00 – 10:15	Conference Welcome Andrew Dietz, Family Support Program Manager, BEISFS/OCDEL	Red Room
10:15 – 11:30	Keynote Presentation - The Importance of Our Stories in Collaboration and Family Engagement Bethany Van Delft Moffi, comedian, storyteller, and Parent Advocate <i>Bethany Van Delft Moffi, mother of two children, comedian, storyteller and Parent Advocate uses humor and family stories to highlight the importance of storytelling and collaboration to further inclusion and support meaningful, real-life outcomes.</i>	Red Room
11:30 – 12:15	Western and Central Regional Group Ashley Ankeny, Family Support Consultant, Early Intervention Technical Assistance	Trinidad
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12:15 – 1:30	Lunch	Red Room

1:30 – 3:00	<p>Crafting Slam Styles Stories, Part A Bethany Van Delft Moffi, comedian, storyteller, and Parent Advocate</p> <p><i>StorySlams - events where tellers perform short 5 minutes stories on a theme, live with no notes - are enjoying huge popularity. We use stories every day in our advocacy as parents, family, teachers, service providers. Painting a picture for medical professionals, legislators, decision makers can often shift perspectives, leading to important conversations and great strides. In this workshop we'll discuss slam story format, generate compelling stories using writing prompts, get tips for live performance and discuss ways to use in our advocacy. Participants will also have the opportunity to share in front of the group.</i></p> <p><i>This is a two-part session, participants should plan to attend the 3:15 – 4:30 part B session.</i></p>	Cocoa Suite 6
1:30 – 3:00	<p>Protective Factors in Our Work Overview Karen Shanoski, Family Support and Community Engagement Director, Center for Schools and Communities</p> <p><i>The Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework consists of five research-based protective factors that, when robust in families, promote stability and healthy child development. Families who are resilient, have social connections, know how to meet basic needs, and understand child development are more likely to rear healthy children. This strengths-based approach promotes family stability through encouraging the development of protective factors. Participants will discuss practical tools and strategies that they can use in their interactions with families in community-based settings that support all families.</i></p>	Empire B
1:30 – 3:00	<p>Supporting Young Children and Families Experiencing Homelessness Tracy Duarte, Director PA Head Start State Collaboration Office</p> <p><i>Participants will be provided with an overview of the McKinny-Vento Act and the definition of homeless for children, the impact of homelessness on young children, participate in a discussion of ways to discuss housing needs with families and a guide to finding resources and supports at the local program level.</i></p>	Cocoa Suite 1
1:30 – 3:00	<p>Reimagining Your Data! Sharing data in creative and meaningful ways MaryJo Alimena Caruso, Training and Technical Assistance Coordinator, FRIENDS National Center for CBCAP</p> <p><i>Imagine your data. Now, reimagine it presented in a form that engages funders, stakeholders, and families. This session filled with hands-on learning experiences will help you discover ways to share data in succinct and meaningful ways. Telling concise and compelling stories with your program data is one of the best forms of advocacy. It supports efforts to increase sustainability and cannot help but create greater pride in the work you do and the people you serve. Pennsylvania Evaluation Briefs will be highlighted!</i></p>	Empire A
1:30 – 3:00	<p>Survivor-Led Interactions: Connections to Safety and Support Mae Reale, Health Education Specialist, Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence Lindy Keefe, Training and Technical Assistance Specialist, Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence</p> <p><i>This interactive session will teach tangible strategies for supporting domestic violence survivors and their children after they have disclosed domestic violence. Methods to assist a survivor in planning for their safety will be shared, including ways to ensure this process is flexible and survivor driven. We will identify ways that family support professionals can connect survivors to their local domestic violence programs. We will also share skills to weave discussions about healthy relationships with their clients throughout their interactions.</i></p>	Trinidad

1:30 – 3:00	<p>Ideas and Strategies for CQI Projects Gregory Swartzlander – Program Specialist (CQI), BEISFS/OCDEL Mary Fichter, NFP Supervisor, Chester County Health Department Patricia Yoder, NFP Administrator, Chester County Health Department Meggin Santiago - NFP Nurse Supervisor, Community Action Partnership of Lancaster County Taylor Giambrone – Nurse Home Visitor, Community Action Partnership of Lancaster County</p> <p><i>This breakout session will take a quick dive into what CQI is and some upcoming opportunities for LIA's. There will also be 2 presentations to showcase CQI projects in PA and how they have been successful.</i></p>	Cocoa Terrace
3:00 – 3:15	Travel and Snack Break	Red Room
3:15 – 4:30	<p>Crafting Slam Styles Stories, Part B Bethany Van Delft Moffi, comedian, storyteller, and Parent Advocate</p> <p><i>This session is only open to participants who attended the Part A session that started at 1:30. See the full description in Part A.</i></p>	Cocoa Suite 6
3:15 – 4:30	<p>Deeper Consideration of the Strengthening Families™ Protective Factors Framework Karen Shanoski, Family Support and Community Engagement Director, Center for Schools and Communities</p> <p><i>The Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework consists of five research-based protective factors that, when robust in families, promote stability and healthy child development. The Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework was developed based on research about the characteristics of families that promote healthy development of children and growth as a parent or caregiver. Multiple family support programs and models have addressed or embedded the Framework into their work. Participants will discuss ways the SFPF are addressed in their work and focus on protective factors in our communities, supporting the development of Positive Childhood Experiences and relationship to ACES and ways the Strengthening Families™ approach promotes equity.</i></p>	Empire B
3:15 – 4:30	<p>Coming Unraveled? Knitting Together Family Voices and Our Pennsylvania Programs Sadia Batool, Early Childhood Family Lead and Christina Harris, Early Childhood Lead, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems</p> <p><i>Do you feel like you're at your knits end? This session will feature Pennsylvania's Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) Project that intends to knit together Pennsylvania's health, education, and human services. Family Support and Home Visiting professionals set up a strong foundation for the youngest population in Pennsylvania for a better and brighter future. By attending this session, you will be offered the opportunity to participate on this innovative project, as well as walk away with concrete action steps for engaging families using the Pennsylvania Family Engagement Birth Through College Career Community Ready Framework.</i></p>	Cocoa Suite 1
3:15 – 4:30	<p>Fiscal & Data Q&A Jim Powell, Fiscal Specialist, PA Key Matthew Firestone, Family Support Program Analyst, BEISFS/OCDEL Andrew Dietz, Family Support Program Manager, BEISFS/OCDEL</p> <p><i>In this session, you will be able to ask your puzzling fiscal and data questions to the Bureau of Early Intervention Services and Family Supports (BEISFS) team. Our presenters will focus on how to best answer your Family Support questions, as well as share resources that currently exist.</i></p>	Empire A

3:15 – 4:30	<p>An Introduction to the Be Strong Parent Café Mary Mikus, Consultant, Early Intervention Technical Assistance, Sarah Holland, Director, Parent to Parent of Pennsylvania and Family Engagement Initiatives</p> <p><i>This session will introduce what a Be Strong Parent Café is and how you and/or your organization can start your journey to host Parent Cafes.</i></p>	Trinidad
3:15 – 4:30	<p>Community Collaboration and Coordination Panel Discussion Beth Eberly, Coordinator of Early Learning Services, Community Action Partnership of Lancaster County Mandy Kolb Lyons, Program Specialist, Lancaster County’s Infant/Toddler Early Intervention Program. Cecilia Arce, Director of Program Evaluation, MCHC Anabel Ocegüera, Manager, Family Center Programs Luann McMackin, Senior Program Director, The Guidance Center Brenda Gaffey, Program Coordinator, The Guidance Center Heather Powell and Ashley Ankeny, Family Support Consultants, Early Intervention Technical Assistance</p> <p><i>Coordination and collaboration are essential requirements for all PA Home Visiting and Family Support Programs. In this hosted panel discussion, three Family Support and Home Visiting programs will highlight their experiences and success coordinating with agencies within their communities. Some of the examples will include collaboration with Early Intervention, medical providers, and early child learning programs. The panel will share how their programs uniquely coordinate and collaborate beyond a simple MOU/MOA. Please join us for this interactive opportunity to learn from your peers!</i></p>	Cocoa Terrace

Tuesday, November 15th

Time	Session Descriptions	Room
7:30 – 8:30	Continental Breakfast and Coffee/Tea available	Red Room
8:00 – 8:45	<p>Early Bird Session: Healthy Minds App Ashley Ankeny, Family Support Consultant, Early Intervention Technical Assistance</p> <p><i>The OCDEL recognizes the importance of supporting the well-being of the Family Support and Home Visiting professionals who work with our very youngest children and their families. Well-being can be learned and strengthened, and scientific research is increasingly focused on practical methods to do this. The Healthy Minds App, Healthy Minds@Work is one of those methods.</i></p> <p><i>OCDEL is excited to announce that all of Pennsylvania’s Family Support and Home Visiting professionals will have access to The Healthy Minds App at no cost for the next 2 years. Come to this session to learn how you and your staff can access this valuable tool.</i></p>	Trinidad
8:00 – 8:45	<p>Early Bird Session: NFP Network Partners and Child First Affiliates By invitation only</p>	Cocoa Suite 1
8:00 – 10:00	Registration	Cocoa Lobby

9:00 – 9:15	<p>Conference Welcome Staci Kenney, Division Chief, BEISFS/OCDEL</p>	Red Room
9:15 – 10:30	<p>Keynote Presentation: Lens on Equity: Brave Conversation on Trauma, Poverty, and Embedded Inequity Veidre Jackson, CEO/Founder of Living Strong Consulting LLC</p> <p><i>Participants explore the impact that embedded inequity, social disparities, and systemic injustice has on identity, trans-generational trauma, and core belief systems. This conversation allows participants to start equity conversations with common language to build on future knowledge and action.</i></p>	Red Room
10:45 – 12:15	<p>Co- Creating Healing Connections Veidre Jackson, CEO/Founder of Living Strong Consulting LLC Brandie Cool, Home Visitor Jamie Deaven, Home Visitor Luz Cheila Bruno, Home Visitor</p> <p><i>Our exploration of the price, power, and pervasiveness of complex forms of trauma will allow us to learn system-building approaches for trauma responsiveness in order to examine and respond to toxic stress, allostatic load, embedded inequities, poverty, and cultural bias that barricade the bridges out of poverty for many families and hinders the 5 building blocks toward safe, valued, and heard relationships.</i></p>	Cocoa Suite 1
10:45 – 12:15	<p>Ages and Stages Questionnaires – How Family Support Programs can use the ASQ Elizabeth Friedman, MS, Lisa Gragg, MS, NCSP, and Joy Polignano, PhD, NCSP, Consultants, Early Intervention Technical Assistance</p> <p><i>This interactive session will review the ASQ:3 and the ASQ:SE2 and how programs can support it's use to screen children for developmental delays. There will also be a preview of the ASQ online that is available to Family Support Programs with the support of OCDEL.</i></p>	Cocoa Boardroom
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10:45 – 12:15	<p>What's in the FRIENDS toolkits? Unpacking the Neglect Toolkit and the Culturally Effective Organization Resources for your program. MaryJo Alimena Caruso, Training and Technical Assistance Coordinator, FRIENDS National Center for CBCAP</p> <p><i>Learn about resources to apply in your programs and community. The Neglect Toolkit assists you and your partners to understand neglect and its complexity as well as promising approaches and strategies for Public Awareness / Family Strengthening campaigns to efforts to define the difference between poverty and neglect. The Culturally Effective Organizations Toolkit provides resources for organizations to meet their responsibility to promote optimal outcomes for all children and families and this includes ensuring services are culturally appropriate and prioritize equity.</i></p>	Cocoa Suite 2

10:45 – 12:15	<p><i>The Ripple Effect in Action: Communication, Coordination, and Collaboration between professionals and family leaders</i> Sadia Batool, Early Childhood Family Lead and Christina Harris, Early Childhood Lead, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems</p> <p><i>An integral part of your role as Family Support and Home Visiting leaders is to support parents and caregivers to build their leadership to become strong advocates for their children, maternal and early childhood systems and broader community. This session will highlight family engagement and leadership experts who will share their diverse and dynamic expertise in how they are building capacity of Pennsylvania families moving into leadership roles at the program, local, state, and national level. Join us in creating a Ripple Effect for family leadership in Pennsylvania for a better and brighter future of our youngest citizens. This session will expand the way you see family leadership by learning how to achieve the crucial combination of supporting families in their roles as parents/caregivers and vital leaders to systems building.</i></p>	Cocoa Terrace
12:15 – 1:30	Lunch	Red Room
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3:00 – 3:30	Registration – Sign Out	Cocoa Lobby
3:00 – 3:30	Snack To-Go	Red Room

Resource Tables

Check out the resources available in the Red Room! Resource tables will be available throughout the conference. Pick up new resources and materials from:

- The Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems efforts
- Pennsylvania One Book
- Social Emotional and Infant Toddler MH Resources
- Early Intervention Handouts, including resources from Family Connection for Listening and Learning Resources and Learn the Signs, Act Early
- Dental Health Kits from Oral Health Coalition
- Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence (PCADV)

Family Support Data Team Office Hours

Have questions about the Family Support Data System? Come meet the Family Support Data Team in the Red Room. Office hours will be provided throughout the conference.

We need your feedback

Tell us about your experiences at the conference and help us plan for upcoming events. Click on the link or QR Code to take the conference evaluation.

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