T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® and Child Care WAGE$®

2020 National Professional Development Virtual Forum

April 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, and 27

FINAL PROGRAM
THURSDAY, APRIL 16

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
#1. Working Toward Future Justice: Reducing Implicit Bias Through Your Story
Presenter: Betsy Ayankoya, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion Officer, Frank Porter Graham Child Development Institute

1:15 PM – 2:45 PM
#2. Helping Recipients Become Advocates
Presenters: Kim Kofron, Executive Director, Texas AEYC; Mary Erikson-Gerbig, Co-Director, T.E.A.C.H. WI and T.E.A.C.H. Counselor, Wisconsin Early Childhood Association; Mary Graham, Executive Director, Children’s Village; Edith Whitmore, Lead Teacher, Children’s Village

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
#3. Everything I Always Wanted to Know I Learned from T.E.A.C.H. or WAGE$
Presenters: Barb Merrill, Special Projects Consultant, T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® National Center Child Care Services Association; Beth Ann Lang, Chief Program Officer/T.E.A.C.H. Director, Child Care Aware® of Missouri

11:15 AM – 12:45 PM
#4. The History of Early Childhood Education Policy in the US – A Look Back
Presenters: Helen Blank, Former Director of Child Care and Early Learning, National Women’s Law Center and Member, T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® National Advisory Committee

1:15 PM – 2:45 PM
#5. Supporting and Retaining A Diverse Early Education Workforce: Policy, Advocacy and Culture Matter
Presenters: Traci Childress, Executive Director, St. Mary’s Nursery School; Mary Graham, Executive Director, Children’s Village; Laurie Litz, T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® Director, Pennsylvania Child Care Association

MONDAY, APRIL 20

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
#6. State Strategies to Support Non-Traditional Students and the Higher Education Institutions that Serve Them
Presenters: Judith Santmire, Chief Operating Officer, Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association; Nar Doumbya, Co-Director, T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® WISCONSIN, Wisconsin Early Childhood Association; Sharon Sullivan, Higher Education Manager, T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® National Center (facilitator)
MONDAY, APRIL 20 (continued)

11:15 AM – 12:45 PM
#7. Using Higher Education Data to Inform Policy, Practice, and Advocacy
Presenter: Abby Copeman Petig, Research and Policy Specialist, Center for the Study of Child Care Employment

1:15 PM – 2:45 PM
#8. Advancing the ECE Profession: A Federal Higher Education Agenda
Presenter: Mary Harrill, Senior Director, Higher Education Accreditation and Program Support, National Association for the Education of Young Children

3:15 PM – 4:45 PM
#9. State Higher Education Articulation Policies Covering the Early Care and Education Workforce
Presenters: Aleksandra Holod, Senior Researcher, American Institutes for Research; Janice Keizer, Senior Technical Assistance Consultant, American Institutes for Research

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Keynote Address: Building an Early Childhood Education System that Supports the Early Educators Our Children Need—A Call to Action
Presenter: Marquita Davis, Deputy Directory of Early Learning-Pacific Northwest, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

11:15 AM – 12:45 PM
#10. Exploring Innovations in Higher Education to Better Support Early Childhood Educators
Presenter: Laura Bornfreund, Director of Early & Elementary Education Policy, New America

1:15 PM – 2:45 PM
#11. Creating Higher Education Pathways for the Bilingual Early Childhood Workforce
Presenters: Ana De Hoyos O’Connor, Associate Professor, Early Childhood Studies, San Antonio College; Toshiba Adams, Instructor/Instructional Chair, Milwaukee Area Technical College; Iris Strachan, Chair, Early Childhood Education, Miami Dade College
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
#12. Toward a More Cohesive Early Childhood Education Professional Preparation Pipeline
Audience: All
Presenter: Mary Harrill, Senior Director, Higher Education Accreditation and Program Support, National Association for the Education of Young Children

11:15 AM – 12:45 PM
#13. College Success for Non-Traditional Students –Associate and Baccalaureate Higher Education Perspectives
Presenters: Sharon Little, Program Lead, Faculty Early Childhood, South Piedmont Community College; Bweikia Foster Steen, Associate Professor, George Mason University

1:15 PM – 2:45 PM
#14. How Early Educator Education and Compensation Impact Retention, Quality and Child Outcomes
Presenters: Caitlin McLean, Workforce Research Specialist, Center for the Study of Child Care Employment; Abby Copeman Petig, Research and Policy Specialist, Center for the Study of Child Care Employment

MONDAY, APRIL 27

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
#15. Creating Systems to Organize Your Caseload Using the Resources You May Already Have
Presenters: Dianna Erickson, Lead Counselor and Data Specialist, Michigan AEYC; Jennifer Davis, T.E.A.C.H. Counselor, Michigan AEYC

1:15 PM – 2:45 PM
#16. Developing and Supporting Diverse Leaders for the Early Education Workforce
Presenters: Susan Catapano, Cille and Ron Williams Endowed Community Chair for Early Childhood Education, University of Nebraska at Kearney and The Buffett Early Childhood Institute at the University of Nebraska

3:15 PM – 4:45 PM
#17. Federal Developments in Child Care and Early Learning: Challenges & Opportunities in a Changing Environment
Presenter: Catherine White, Director, Child Care and Early Learning, National Women’s Law Center

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