



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

2020 National Professional Development Virtual Forum

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



FINAL PROGRAM



The T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® National Center, a division of Child Care Services Association



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 WAGES

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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