



LINKING SECTORS, ADVANCING SYSTEMS

Second Annual State Professional Development Leadership Team Work Day

Agenda

June 7, 2008

8:30 am State Team Gathering

State teams gather at their assigned tables, review the agenda and plan for the day. Refreshments will be provided.

9:00 am Opening

Welcome

- **Adele Robinson**, Associate Executive Director, Policy and Public Affairs, National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
- **JoAn Herren**, Former Chief of Training and Technical Assistance, Office of Head Start
- **Valerie Krajec**, National Child Care Information and Technical Assistance Center (NCCIC), A Service of the Child Care Bureau
- **Jana Martella**, Executive Director, National Association of Early Childhood Specialists in State Departments of Education (NAECS/SDE)

Goals and Structure

- **Anne Mitchell**, NAEYC Early Childhood Workforce Systems Initiative steering committee chair, Immediate Past President of the NAEYC Governing Board, and President of Early Childhood Policy Research

9:45 am Working Peer-To-Peer Sessions, Part I

Facilitated roundtables—participants choose from 20 topic- and process-focused roundtables.

10:45 am Morning Break

Beverages and light snacks will be provided.

11:00 am Policies that Link and Advance Our Work

Commentary on and discussion about the key policy areas that help build or support states' integrated early childhood professional development systems.

State Policy Blueprint Overview

- **Sarah LeMoine**, Director, Early Childhood Workforce Systems Initiative, NAEYC

Perspectives on the Essential Policy Areas

- **Linda Espinosa**, Senior Faculty Member at the University of Missouri-Columbia
- **Marcy Whitebook**, Director of the Center for the Study of Child Care Employment at the University of California at Berkeley
- **Jacqueline Jones**, Assistant Commissioner of the Division of Early Childhood Education in the New Jersey Department of Education
- **Tonya Russell**, Director of the Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education at the Arkansas Department of Human Services

Table Discussions on the State Policy Blueprint

Discuss and provide feedback on the essential policy areas and the overall state policy blueprint draft.



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12:00 noon Lunch on Your Own

Support the New Orleans economy! Local restaurant choices/overview will be provided.

1:30 pm Recap and Preview

Recap of the morning sessions and charge for the afternoon.

- *JoAn Herren*

1:40 pm Working Peer-to-Peer Sessions, Part II

A second opportunity for participants to engage in one of the 20 facilitated roundtable discussions.

2:40 pm State Team Synthesis

Participants reconvene in state teams to discuss what they are learning, ways to apply new ideas to their current work, and strategies to share with additional state partners. Facilitators will be provided to assist in this team synthesizing time.

3:45 pm Wrap-Up

- *Anne Mitchell*

4:00 pm Adjourn

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