



Celebrating Connections 2017

April 4-7, 2017
Charleston Civic Center

Conference Goals

- To build relationships among groups and individuals working to support young children and families in WV
- To promote and strengthen partnerships at community, regional, and state levels
- Highlight state and local programs that demonstrate promising practices
- To integrate child development theory into the practice of child welfare
- To recognize the benefits of prevention and early intervention
- To enhance the quality of early childhood services

Conference Topics

Presentations may cross topic areas or be appropriate for more than one topic area.

1. Promoting Partnerships/Mobilizing Communities
2. Health and Wellness/Nutrition
3. Safety
4. Special Needs
5. Assistive Technology
6. Positive Behavior Support
7. Leadership
8. Families
9. Curriculum
10. Infant/Toddler
11. Technology
12. Infant/Toddler Mental Health
13. Authentic Assessment
14. Early Readiness Learning

A Call for Presentations

Please limit your responses to the space provided. This section must be completed for each presenter.

Name (Please write on line above)	Position/Title
Organization	Mailing Address
City/State/Zip	Telephone
Fax	E-mail
Who will be the lead presenter if more than one? _____	

Abstract

We encourage collaborative and team presentations from agencies, organizations, and families. We will feature practical, applicable, interactive and innovative presentations. Please submit a two-page abstract that provides the following information in the order listed:

- Title of proposed presentation (10 words or less)
- Description of presentation (100 word maximum)
- List of key insights, skills, techniques, strategies, or ideas the audience will gain through the presentation.
- Level of presentation (beginner, intermediate, advanced)
- Length of presentation (1.5 hour, 3 hour, or 6 hour one day institute)
- Audiovisual equipment needed
- Conference topic area(s)

Application Schedule

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| July | Proposals must be postmarked, faxed or e-mailed no later than July 1, 2016. Late applications will be considered on a space available basis. |
| August | Presentations selected. Selected presenters will be notified by telephone, mail, or e-mail. |
| October | Letters of agreement signed and returned. |

Submitting Your Proposal

Mail presentation proposal to:

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For more information or questions, contact:

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Division of Early Care and Education

WV Department of Health and Human Resources/WV Head Start State Collaboration Office