

California Head Start Association November 2009 Update

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TRAINING Opportunities

Office of Head Start National Webinar

**Head Start 101:
Getting Started with
Dual Language Learners
in Head Start & Early
Head Start**

**Wednesday,
November 18, 2009,
2:00-3:00 p.m. (ET)**

Head Start 101 is the second professional development opportunity in the year-long series, Ready for Success: Supporting DLLs in Head Start. This multimedia series will help programs support the development and learning of dual

In the News

Governor Signs Executive Order for Early Learning Advisory Council

On November 9, Governor Schwarzenegger signed an executive order creating the California State Advisory Council on Early Childhood Education and Care. The new planning body is charged with promoting efficiency, effectiveness and accountability in California's ECE system. Its creation is a necessary step for California to apply for \$10.7 million over three years in federal Recovery Act monies and eventually to compete for a portion of the billions of federal dollars in proposed "Race to the Top" quality improvement legislation.

The new council will build on the work of the Early Learning Quality Improvement System (ELQIS) committee, which was established by SB-1629 (Steinberg) to improve the quality of early care and education programs. CHSA members have been active in the ELQIS planning process, including drafting model quality rating system recommendations. Under the Governor's executive order, ELQIS committee members will join the newly created State Advisory Council and the Governor will make additional appointments as outlined in federal legislation, including the State Director of Head Start Collaboration and a representative of Head Start agencies in California.

"This action will help bring California funding to support our state's high-quality preschool programs and help ensure our state's neediest children will be prepared for success on their very first day of elementary school," according to Schwarzenegger.

View a copy of the Governor's: <http://gov.ca.gov/press-release/13812>

2010 Edward Zigler Western Research Institute Call for Researchers

The Edward Zigler Western Research Institute provides practitioners with findings that can be used to improve Head Start and Early Head Start programs. We invite researchers to present results related to early childhood education, family development, and community collaborations.

Please encourage your research colleagues to participate!

Submission Details: <http://caheadstart.org/ResearchersCall2009.pdf>

language learners (DLLs).

Who Should Watch?

New and existing grantees in Head Start and Early Head Start, Migrant and Seasonal Head Start, American Indian/Alaska Native Head Start, and TTA Providers.

How to View the Webinar?

To view the Webinar on November 18, visit the [ECLKC](#). After November 18, the Webinar will be available on the ECLKC for viewing on demand. The Webinar is free, and you will be asked to register when you click on the Webinar link.

Are Resources Available?

Yes. The [Program Preparedness Checklist](#) [PDF, 90KB] is available on the ECLKC and can be downloaded during the Webinar.

PITC is offering a new training event for Program Directors and College Faculty

Infant/Toddler Learning and Development Academies

Academy I:
Creating High Quality Infant/Toddler Programs

Date: February 3-5, 2010
Location: Berkeley, CA
Apply by: Nov. 30, 2009

Academy II:
Supporting Learning and Development of All Children in Infant/Toddler

Call for Papers closes: November 20, 2009
Email notification by December 4, 2009

The Research Institute is cosponsored by CHSA, NHSA & Region IX HSA

News on Upcoming CHSA Events



Long Beach Waterfront

CHSA is delighted to announce a **special track devoted exclusively to Early Head Start, to be held for the first time this year** at its upcoming Education Conference, Feb 3-5 in Long Beach, CA. Additionally, keynote speakers have been confirmed for both the Conference and the Edward Zigler Research Institute (on Feb 2):

Opening Keynote

Dr. Gerald Newmark, Founder of the Children's Project -- Newmark's most recent book, *How to Raise Emotionally Healthy Children*, has sold over 330,000 copies. He was supported by the Ford Foundation in creating a model school in Los Angeles and has experience in every level of education. He is currently working with schools, districts and communities on initiatives to create emotionally healthy environments. His background also includes experience in civil rights and services for addiction treatment.

Closing Keynote

Dr. Intisar Shareef - An engaging and popular presenter, Shareef approaches education as a transformative process, addressing personal beliefs, biases and stereotypes. She is a professor of early childhood education, has a special expertise on violence and trauma issues for young children, and co-authored *Diversity in Early Care and Education* and *Practice in Building Bridges*.

Research Institute Keynote

Dr. Debra Stipek is the Dean of the School of Education at Stanford University. Her doctorate is from Yale University in developmental

Programs

Date: April 27-29, 2010
Location: Riverside, CA
Apply by: Jan. 30, 2010



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psychology. Her scholarship concerns instructional effects on children's achievement motivation, early childhood education, elementary education and school reform. In addition to her scholarship, she served for five years on the Board on Children, Youth, and Families of the National Academy of Sciences.

Online registration for both events will open up by Monday, Dec 16 on the [CHSA website](http://caheadstart.org/conference.html): <http://caheadstart.org/conference.html>.



Invitation to Participate in California Preschool Curriculum Framework, Volume 2 - Review Focus Group

The California Department of Education (CDE) has developed a draft preschool curriculum framework in the areas of visual and performing arts, physical development, and health. The focus groups are designed to gather information from individuals working in preschool programs.

Invitation to Participate: <http://caheadstart.org/CPCFInvitation.pdf>

Application: <http://caheadstart.org/CPCFApplication.pdf>



Update from the Head Start State-Based T/TA Office for California

CHSA Clusters and Local T/TA Needs

We are continuing our outreach to the CHSA Cluster to inform them of our TTA priorities and opportunities for training and support. The State Team plans to work with the local clusters to ensure all needs are identified and establish a plan for meeting them at the local area. Members of the State-based T/TA Team were invited to join the CHSA Executive Director on a conference call with CHSA Cluster Leads. During this call all Leads were invited to contact the State Office to begin planning for T/TA delivery in their areas. We have received updated OHS National T/TA priorities. So, if you have not already contacted us, this would be a great time to contact us to ensure that your needs are equitably included in our workplan.

ECE Competencies

The State T/TA Team is participating in the ECE Competencies stakeholder meetings and providing feedback on this process. These



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ECE Competencies will be aligned with the California Preschool Learning Foundations and the Infant/Toddler Learning and Development Foundations.

ELQIS and Water Cooler Meetings

The State T/TA Team is participating on the following ELQIS Workgroups: Design, Workforce Development, Data, and Family Engagement. If you are not already involved, this process offers grantees an excellent opportunity to be involved in these processes that impact statewide services. We will be sharing significant information with you via our listservs and other T/TA venues.

California Screening Initiative

The State T/TA Office is participating in the Statewide California Screening Initiative and supporting the development of an online screening toolkit for both pediatricians and ECE community.

Training Events

The State T/TA Team is delivering cluster trainings throughout the state. Some of these events include: Dual Language Framework, Challenging Behaviors, Oral Health, Male Involvement, Head Start 101. In addition, we will be presenting "Engaging Families in the Partnership Process" at the National HSA Parent Conference, December 5, in San Jose.

Early Head Start

The State T/TA Team is working with OHS, the Regional Office, CHSA, the GPSSs, and other partners to plan orientation, training, and technical assistance for new and expanding Early Head Start programs.



Report from the California Head Start-State Collaboration Office

The CHSSCO has been working on the following activities in support of California's Head Start programs:

Center on Social & Emotional Foundations for Early Learning Train the Trainer Events

The California CSEFEL Collaborative team is currently conducting a series of "Essential CSEFEL" events around the state in which many of you have participated. These events are intended to introduce CSEFEL and describe the Collaborative's plans for "train-the-trainer" sessions and implementation sites across California over the next several years.

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We anticipate Head Start and Early Head Start program education and disabilities managers will be invited to participate in these events. Many of the Head Start Region IX technical assistance staff will also be trained so we will have a cadre of Head Start specialists across California that are available to bring this important framework to our programs. The tentative dates for northern California are March 10-13 and April 1-3. Dates for southern California will be scheduled soon.

Part B Interagency Agreement Training Event

The Head Start - Part B Interagency Agreement has been updated by the CDE Special Education Division and Disabilities TAN specialist and is undergoing final legal review at CDE. The Head Start Inclusion Workgroup is planning a statewide videoconference on March 16, 2009 to introduce the interagency agreement and facilitate local discussions between Head Start and Special Education staff at select County Office of Education sites. The local sites will include facilitation by the Region IX GPSS staff and SEEDS consultants.

Desired Results

SETA Head Start has completed a crosswalk of the new DRDP and the Head Start Outcomes Framework, which they have graciously agreed to share statewide once the new DRDP-R is released. SETA staff and the state based T/TA Office staff are also participating in a new alignment of the DRDP and California's Early Learning Foundations.

CHSA Board Transition

CHSA is grateful to those who served on the CHSA Board of Directors during the 2007 - 2009 term and offers a special thank you to all the exiting members: Judy Brummel, Alisa Burton, Hal DeArmond, Mary Ann Hagan, Ron Griffin, Ramona Locsina, Heather Manning, Kaye Medellin, and Past President Lucia Palacios.

The 2009 - 2011 Board members are now seated.



Pictured: Maria Avila, Denyse Cardoza, Damon Carson, William Castellanos, Ray Chavez, Carla Clark, Elizabeth Crocker, Maureen Dermott, Reyna Dominguez, Maria Fort, Denise Lee, Jennifer McCulley, Brenda Poteete, Alicia Ramirez, Ester Rubio, Juanita Santana, Sherrie Segovia, Jennifer Senechal, Pamm Shaw, Gabrielle Thompson, Esmirna Valencia, Mavany Verdugo, Kay Wernert, Keesha Woods, Sarah Younglove, Michael Zito

2009 - 2011 CHSA Board of Directors

<http://caheadstart.org/BoardMembers.html>

Head Start Expansion Awards Announced

Congratulations to the following Grantees for being awarded Head Start Expansion grants funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

- **Child Care Resource Center - Early Care and Education, Los Angeles County**
- **Child Development Resources of Ventura County, Inc., Ventura County**
- **Institute for Human and Social Development, Inc., San Mateo County**
- **Los Angeles County Office of Education, Los Angeles County**
- **Northcoast Children's Services, Humboldt County/Del Norte County**

- **Northern CA Child Development, Inc., Tehema County**
- **Options - A Child Care and Human Services Agency, Los Angeles County**
- **Sacramento Employment & Training Agency, Sacramento County**
- **San Bernardino County Preschool Services Department, San Bernardino County**
- **Santa Clara County Office of Education, Santa Clara County/San Benito County**
- **Santa Cruz Community Counseling, Santa Cruz County**
- **Stanislaus County Office of Education, Stanislaus County**

We expect to receive the official announcement of the awards for new Early Head Start programs in the next several months.

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