

To: All Early Intervention contract managers and FCFC coordinators
From: Nathan DeDino
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Subject: Early Intervention Program Updates, #1921

MESSAGE FROM THE PART C COORDINATOR

DODD has posted a request for proposals for EI nutrition services. This is a great opportunity to extend access to this service to families. Even if you are not interested in applying yourself, please consider forwarding the information to another agency in your community who would make a good partner to your local EI system. Details about the request follows below.

I always invite your feedback. Do not hesitate to contact me at nathan.dedino@dodd.ohio.gov. I look forward to hearing from you.

PROGRAM UPDATES

New Training about Lead Exposure

We are pleased to announce the completion of a new course for EI service coordinators and interventionists related to childhood lead exposure. With the automatic eligibility for EI on July 1 of children with confirmed elevated blood lead levels, this course provides a helpful overview of how children are exposed to lead, how lead test results are reported to the state, and resources available for lead abatement. We ask that all service coordinators take this course no later than December 31, 2019 so they are aware of the resources available for families on their caseloads. You can access the course (EI-073) on DODD's MyLearning. Additional professional development and other resources about childhood lead exposure will be made available throughout the year.

EI Nutrition Services Request for Proposals

DODD has re-posted the EI nutrition services proposal. It closes October 10. You can access more details about this new funding opportunity and ask questions here:

<https://procure.ohio.gov/proc/viewProcOpps.asp?oppID=17197>

Updated Parent Rights Brochure

With new EI rules, we have updated the EI parent rights brochure. This brochure combines necessary information about prior written notice, consent, dispute resolution options, and privacy notices into one brochure for families. We sought input about the brochure from a variety of experts, including parents of children in EI. Although this new brochure has more text than the earlier version, it ensures that we are providing parents all information required under the

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). You can access the new brochure and order copies here:

<https://ohioearlyintervention.org/printed-materials>

The brochure is in the process of being translated into Spanish and other languages frequently used by parents in EI. As these become available, they will be posted at the above link.

SFY19 45-Day Analysis (Group 2)

Activities related to the SFY19 45-Day analysis are underway. Applicable county inquiries were sent September 5 and due back September 24. DODD is offering clarification period, when necessary, and will work to finalize results over the next couple of months. Results memos will be sent in late October.

2019 EI Family Questionnaire

We have been receiving lots of responses to this year's family questionnaire and appreciate your efforts in helping us try to increase the response rate. Responses will be accepted until early next week, so please continue to share the questionnaire links (included below) and encourage families to respond.

English Questionnaire: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2019EIFQ>

Spanish Questionnaire: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2019EIFQ-S>

EI Advisory Council Vacancies

The EI Advisory Council has several vacancies for parents of children with disabilities. They do not need to have child currently served in EI. If you know of a parent who may be interested, please have the parent submit a letter of interest and a resume to Nathan DeDino at nathan.dedino@dodd.ohio.gov. The EI Advisory Council meets quarterly in Columbus and mileage reimbursement is available to appointed parent members. We greatly value and have benefited significantly from the input of parents who have given generously of their time over the years.

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

NEW! Advanced Reflective Supervision

Dr. Robert Gallen will provide an in-person training on Advanced Reflective Supervision on November 18 at OCOSH in Franklin county. This session will focus on implementation of the principles of Reflective Supervision. Other sessions are scheduled for March 30, 2020 (State Library, Franklin county) and May 8, 2020 (State Library, Franklin county). Registration for all sessions is available on MyLearning. DODD CPDU applications are pending.

If you have questions, please contact Lori Myers at lori.e.myers@dodd.ohio.gov.

Opportunity to Join a Service Coordination Community of Practice Sponsored by the Division for Early Childhood Practice (DEC)

The Service Coordination Community of Practice (SC CoP) was created to recognize the value of service coordinators and give these important early intervention team members a professional home. The SC CoP offers service coordinators opportunities to network with others across the nation, share SC-related resources and tips, and learn about topics relevant to providing high quality service coordination. You do not have to be a member of DEC and there is no cost to participate. Once you join the DEC SC CoP you will be notified of all future webinars and topics. We urge you to take advantage of this resource.

The next SC CoP is a Service Coordination Community of Practice Web Discussion on October 30 about the topic of “Coaching during Service Coordination: What Does It Look Like?” You can join the Service Coordination Community of Practice for a web conversation to discuss nine coaching practices that you can use to help families participate in the EI process, share information, access resources, and solve problems by signing up here:

<https://www.dec-sped.org/servicecoordinationcop>

MyLearning – Instructions to Create Account and Access Certificates

We have received reports from users still having difficulty setting up MyLearning accounts, so we are resending the instructions. We added a section on accessing certificates for MyLearning courses.

If you have technical issues with MyLearning, please contact our IT Call Center at ITSCallCenter@dodd.ohio.gov or 1-800-617-6733, Option 4.

Tidbits for Toddlers

The Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI) has released a series of short videos called “Tidbits for Toddlers” that is aimed at families and professionals working with young children. These videos provide strategies to support young learners. You can access the videos here:

<https://www.ocali.org/project/tidbits-for-toddlers>



MyLearning Instructions Early Intervention

Anyone with an OH|ID or DODD portal account can access MyLearning. This means anyone with access to EIDS or any other DODD application has access. If you do not have an account, here are the instructions to create one:

1. Navigate to dodd.ohio.gov
2. Click **Login**, located near the top of the page.
3. Enter your OH|ID username and password.
4. If you do not have an OH|ID, click Create New Account and follow the instructions. **Note: When asked to choose your profile, select “I want to be a DODD provider.” When asked to choose your user job function, select “Agency employee.”** This will result in your account being auto-approved.
5. Complete the email verification step to activate your account.
6. After logging in successfully, click **MyLearning**, located near the top of the page.
7. You can search for courses from the MyLearning Home page using either the title search or the keywords search. Or you can click the Early Intervention tile to launch the list of EI trainings.
8. Click the name of the training you want to attend.
9. Click View Course.
10. Click Enroll Me.

For help with technical issues, including help with usernames and passwords, contact the ITS Help Desk at 1-800-617-6733 or ITSCallCenter@dodd.ohio.gov.

Obtaining a Certificate

1. Click the plus sign (+) next to the course category.
2. Click View Course.
3. If the course was completed and passed, a certificate automatically becomes available.
4. Click the Certificate link.
5. Click the Get Certificate button.
6. Your certificate will display in a new window, and you can print or download it from there.

The Early Childhood Training Committees of Allen and Auglaize Counties presents...

The 20th Annual
“Starting Small, Growing Strong”
Conference and Resource Fair!

Friday, November 1, 2019

8:00am-4:00pm

Rhodes State College, Keese Hall Multipurpose Center
4240 Campus Drive, Lima, Ohio

A regional conference and resource fair
for early childhood professionals
working with children birth to five!

Campus Map Link

http://rhodespublic.rhodesstate.edu/webprojects/media/pdf/Rhodes_State_Campus_Map.pdf

Only \$35 with light breakfast and lunch included.

Who Should Attend?

- ✓ Preschool Teachers
- ✓ Day Care Providers
- ✓ Educators
- ✓ Parents
- ✓ Students
- ✓ Advocates for Young Children
- ✓ EI Service Coordinators
- ✓ Early Intervention Providers

CEU's

- ✓ Certificate of Attendance
- ✓ DODD Early Intervention DS and SC
- ✓ Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral (OCCRA) hours for specific breakout sessions. See speaker list for details

Agenda

8:00am-8:30am	Registration and Light Breakfast
8:30am-8:45am	Welcome/Introductions
8:45am-10:00am	Session 1
10:00am-10:30am	Break & Resource Fair
10:30am-11:45am	Session 2
11:45am-12:45pm	Lunch & Resource Fair
12:45pm-2:00pm	Session 3
2:00pm-2:15pm	Break
2:15pm-3:30pm	Session 4
3:30pm-4:00pm	Evals/Questions/CEU's



Session Topics and Speakers

Session 1 (8:45am-10:00am)

- ❖ **Misty Cole MSW, LSW, Early Childhood Mental Health Training Coordinator, Master Trainer, Hopewell Health Centers**

***(OCCRA Approved 3 Hr. Session-8:45-11:45am with short break)

Cultural and Linguistic Humility/Families-Participants will be encouraged to reflect on current practices, cultural humility, personal bias, and strategies for engagement. Additionally, participants will identify the benefits of true engagement and how it differs from involvement and identify ideas to help families engage. This professional development opportunity provides professionals with a true understanding of how biases impact our work with families, which ultimately impacts the lives of young children. Perfect for anyone working with families and children.

- ❖ **Judy Lester LISW-S, RPT, ACTP, Treatment Director for SAFY Behavioral Health**

Childhood Sexual Development-Mental health professionals are frequently approached by anxious caregivers when children exhibit sexualized behaviors and play. Understanding what normal sexual development is while calmly addressing sexualized play can be very challenging for caregivers and mental health professionals alike. In this course, participants will learn information about normative and non-normative sexual development and resources for sharing with parents.

- ❖ **Brittney Wyerick and Chad Kunkleman, Community Patrolman, Lima Police Dept.**

How to Stay Safe While Working in the Community-Personal safety is about being aware of your surroundings, avoiding potentially dangerous situations, using common sense and trusting your instincts! Our goal is for you to leave this class with a better understanding of how to protect yourself and your client as well as being in a safe working environment.

Session 2 (10:30am-11:45am)

- ❖ **Misty Cole, MSW, LSW, Early Childhood Mental Health Training Coordinator Master Trainer, Hopewell Health Centers**

Cultural and Linguistic Humility/Families -Part 2 of 3-hour session. (OCCRA Approved 3 Hr. Session)

- ❖ **Judy Lester LISW-S, RPT, ACTP, Treatment Director for SAFY Behavioral Health**

Childhood Sexual Development-Repeated session. See description above.

- ❖ **Cynthia Scanland MSSA, Allen County Children's Services**

Community Issues Impacting Families & Role of the Mandated Reporter

Participants will get an update on the underlying issues of the child abuse and neglect investigations in the region, plus information about the intake and investigative processes and the role of early childhood professionals working with families involved with child protective services.

Early Childhood Resource Fair

10am-1pm

Several agencies will have tables set up at the conference to explore and learn about resources in your region! Plan to visit these tables during your morning break and lunch!

Contact Joy Miller at jmiller@auglaizedd.org if you would like to have a table at the conference.

Session 3 (12:45pm-2:00pm)

- ❖ [Diana Holderman](#) M.Ed., LPC, Strategies for Behavior Management: Consulting and Counseling, LLC, PLAY Project Autism Intervention and Teaching PLAY Consultant Supervisor/Mentor/Master Trainer

Behavior and What It Means within a Relationship! -This presentation will provide an overview of the developmental and behavior models and their application to children in their early, formative years. We will look at the myriad of variables that can affect parent/child interaction and the relationships that are formed. Parenting application of the models and strategies will be discussed. Use of proactive, playful, co-regulating techniques are emphasized.

- ❖ [LaRita Condin](#) M.A., CCC-SLP, Condin Communication Specialists LLC, Auglaize County Early Intervention

Multi-Modality Interactions and Communication - This session will focus on exploring the use of signs, assistive technology, early gestures and first words to communicate with caregivers throughout the day for our infants and toddlers. Through inclusive interactions, service providers will learn no, low- and high-tech options for involving young communicators in their natural environment before speech even begins and strategies to bridge the communication gap between learning/participating until verbal communication is established.

- ❖ [Kelly Schattschneider](#) M.Ed., Support Coordinator, Trainer, Auglaize County Educational Service Center

***(OCCRA Approved 3 Hr. Session-12:45p-3:45pm with short break)

Trauma and How it is Impacting Our Youngest Children- Experiencing trauma at an early age can have long lasting effects on young children. This session will create awareness of what trauma is, how it can impact a child socially, emotionally, cognitively and behaviorally, and what early education professionals can do to support young children who have experienced trauma.

Session 4 (2:15pm-3:30pm)

- ❖ [Kirsten Brown](#) OTR/L, Occupational Therapist, Certified PLAY Project Consultant, PLAY Project Supervisor, First Steps Primary Level Evaluator

Sensory Regulation, Attention and Engagement...What is this all about?

Participants will review videos that illustrate the primary sensory processing patterns seen in young children. Strategies will then be provided that caregivers and teachers can use in home and school environments to help improve a young child's sensory regulation, attention, and engagement.

- ❖ [Joy Miller](#) MRC, CRC, PC, Director of Early Intervention, Childhood and Transition Services, Auglaize County Bd. of DD

Communication and Engagement with Parents – How many times have you explained something to a parent and then found out later that is not at all what they heard? This session will focus on exploring effective communication and learning strategies and ultimately, how to meet a family “where they are” in their own understanding and participation in your program.

- ❖ [Kelly Schattschneider](#) M.Ed., Support Coordinator, Trainer, Auglaize County Educational Service Center

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Trauma and How it is Impacting Our Youngest Children -Part 2 of 3-hour session. (OCCRA Approved 3 Hr. Session)



Cost: \$35 for the day including light breakfast, lunch & CEUs

Make Checks Payable to:

Allen County Family and Children First Council

P.O. Box 1243

Lima, OH 45802-1243

Deadline to register: October 25, 2019

Registrations are non-refundable but may be transferred.

Email or Fax Purchase Orders and Registrations to:

cenneking@allencountyohio.com

Fax: 419-224-0183

To successfully complete this training, participants must attend 100% of the event and complete and submit a written program evaluation.

For Registration Information Call:

Carole Enneking at 419-223-8563

REGISTRATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Organization: _____

EMAIL: _____

Continuing Education Credits: ___ OCCRA ___ DODD EI or SC
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Sandwich Choice ___ Ch. Salad ___ Turkey ___ Deli Combo ___ Cheese/Veg.

*Drink, cold veggies, fruit, coleslaw and cookie will be provided.

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Required for confirmation of registration

Check # _____ (or PO#) _____