



IHSA Annual Conference

Through a Partnership with Iowa AEYC



Early Childhood: Our Profession, Our Passion, Our Play

KEYNOTE LUNCHEON

Using CLASS for Professional Development: Impact on Teacher-Child Interactions in Head Start Classrooms

We will provide an overview of the University of Northern Iowa's Head Start-Teacher Effectiveness grant, *Coaching and Mentoring for Pre-school Quality* (CAMP Quality). Our professional development model is comprised of workshops, video-based self-reflection, and peer coaching and mentoring relationships between Lead Teachers, Assistant Teachers, and Supervisors, which are designed to improve the quality of teacher-child interactions. We will share the results of an experimental design research study conducted with 68 teachers/assistant teachers in 34 Head Start classrooms (19 experimental and 15 comparison). We will conclude with a discussion on how the *Classroom Assessment Scoring System* (CLASS) can be used to inform professional development and mentoring of Lead Teachers and Assistant Teachers and how to support Head Start supervisors in becoming effective mentors for teachers.

Betsy Zan, Ph.D.
Principal Investigator
Director, Regents' Center for Early Developmental Education

Mary Donegan-Ritter, Ph.D.
Project Director

State of Iowa T/TA Update and Changes

Dr. Cathy Swackhamer will also give specifics of the new state T/TA system and what it means for the state of Iowa.

October 14, 2010
Holiday Inn Airport
Des Moines Airport
6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines,
IA 50321
515-287-2400

GUEST ROOMS BLOCKED

Cutoff Date: September 22, 2010

\$82.00 = Single Rooms

\$92.00 = Double Rooms

30 rooms blocked, first come first served, Free Parking, 24 hr. shuttle to the airport.

Registration Fee

Early Bird: September 30, 2010

\$40.00 IHSA/IAEYC Members

\$50.00 Non-Members

After September 30, 2010

\$50.00 IHSA/IAEYC Members

\$60.00 Non-Members

To Register go to
www.iowaheadstart.org and fill
out the online registration form
and click the submit button. If you
want to pay by pay-pal you will
proceed from there. If paying by
check or money order just ignore
the pay-pal page.

Iowa Head Start Association



*A busy year has past
and a busy year
ahead. Lets start the
year off right with a
great turnout to the
IHSA Conference
for Management,
Staff, and Parents.*

Conference AGENDA

- 7:30 AM-9:00 AM Registration
- 8:45 AM -9:50 AM Opening Session
- 10:00 AM-11:45 AM Break Out Tracks
- Noon-1:30 PM Luncheon Keynote
- 1:45-5:00 PM Break Out Tracks

Please Visit the Iowa AEYC website for registration and information to their October 15th and 16th conference, which is in conjunction with the IHSA Conference. Head Start workshops and resources also available .

<http://www.iowaaec.org/>

Opening Session

Welcome, IHSA business, and a presentation from Tom LaPointe of Every Child Matters and Sheila Hanson of Child and Family Policy Center/Every Child Counts and a IHSA Board Member on “Making Your Vote Count”.

Full Day Breakout Tracks:

“Supervision, The Dirty Job, Working With Under Performing Staff”

Ever work with underperforming staff and wonder just what to do? Ever feel like you spend all your time working with the same staff and never seeing growth? Working with underachievers can be difficult for any supervisor. Maintaining a workforce of underperformers can be devastating for the outcome growth of our most vulnerable population. This session is designed to discuss some key strategies that can help you build a stronger, more competent workforce.

Presenters: Cathy Swackhamer, LMSW, PHD

“Responding to Childhood Trauma: The Promise and Practice of Trauma Informed Care”

This day will provide participants with an overview of how trauma including sexual and physical abuse, among others, affects children. Participants will learn about the different ways in which children respond to trauma and how we can help those that are affected by it.

**Presenters: Amy Jo Murphy, MA, LMHP
Billye Jo Clausen, Green Hills AEA Early Access**

“PBIS Birth to Five Parent modules”

Parents and family home child care providers; spend the day exploring Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) for families. Learn how to promote children's social and emotional skills, understand their problem behaviors, and use a positive approach to help children learn appropriate behaviors. This training is designed to give you general information and key strategies that may be used with all children

**Presenters: Robin Nepper, Early Childhood Consultant
Kee Ann Mulfinger, Early Childhood Consultant**