

Head Start: Investing in Excellence

7th Annual Wisconsin Head Start Association Training Conference

February 2-4, 2009

Kalahari Waterpark Resort & Convention Center, Wisconsin Dells

CALL FOR TRAINING SESSION PROPOSALS

The Wisconsin Head Start Association (WHSA) is a private not-for-profit membership organization representing more than 16,000 young children, their families, and more than 3,800 staff who comprise Wisconsin's 57 Head Start and Early Head Start programs. We are seeking presenters for a diverse audience of Head Start and Early Head Start program directors, parents, staff, managers, and community partners to provide training sessions on innovative practical experiences, programs, and applied research in the following content areas:

Community Partnerships

Advocacy, building relationships, child care partnerships, community collaborations, inter-agency agreements, outreach, public policy, State priorities and initiatives, working with local educational agencies.

Early Childhood Education & Development

Assessment, behavior management and guidance, curriculum, child development domains (approaches to learning, creative arts, language development and communication, literacy, mathematics, science, social and emotional development), child outcomes, classroom management, disabilities, English language learners, learning differences, learning environments, individualization, research, standards and guidelines.

Early Head Start

Attachment, breastfeeding, child development, early interventions, healthy movement and nutrition, home- or center-based environments, home-visiting, infant mental health and early childhood mental health consultation (ECMHC), prenatal services, pregnant women and expectant families, pre-literacy, socialization.

Health, Wellness, and Safety

Childhood physical, mental, and oral health; adult health and wellness; anger management and conflict resolution; disease prevention and health promotion; emergency preparedness; ECMHC, EPSDT; facilities, materials, and equipment safety; health services; injury prevention and safety; nutrition and childhood obesity.

Leadership, Professional, and Organizational Development

Attracting and maintaining quality personnel, career development, collaborative leadership, enhancing leadership potential and performance, ethics, human resources, licensure and qualifications, mentoring, motivational management, organizational assessment, portfolios, staff development and management, self-evaluation, supervision, technologies, team building.

Program Design & Management

Head Start requirements, Reauthorization, and Performance Standards; accountability, board development; data analysis; facilities; fiscal issues; governance; management and administration; PIR data; policies; risk assessment and management; rules and regulations; strategic planning; transformative politics; transportation.

Regional Priorities & ACF Federal Initiatives

Dental access and treatment, behavior management, board/policy council training, child outcome data analysis, fatherhood projects, fiscal training, marketing, staff qualifications and professional development, serving rural communities, "I am Moving I am Learning," "Healthy Marriages," "Care for Their Air," drug-endangered children.

Supporting Families

Advocacy, child abuse and maltreatment, cultural differences, crisis intervention and management, diversity, domestic violence effects and prevention, fatherhood and father-figures, family interventions, family literacy and adult education, homelessness, home-visits, parent and family involvement, parenting, resource and referral, substance abuse, transitions, working successfully with parents.

Tribal & Migrant Program Issues

Listed content areas plus: celebrating cultural traditions, child outcomes plans, collaboration with community agencies, community and program assessment, bilingual infant/toddler environments, developing services plans, emergency preparedness, ERSEA processes and compliance, first and second language development, fiscal accountability, program governance, and strategic planning.

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TRAINING SESSION PROPOSAL

Please complete the following 2-page proposal and return to WWSA via mail, fax, or email by Friday, October 3, 2008. Your responses should accurately reflect how you would like information to appear in the Conference program. Contact Molly at the WWSA office with any questions. Thanks!



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Training Session/Presenter Guidelines - *Please read carefully! Retain a copy for your records.*

- 1) WWSA offers a reduced conference registration fee of \$85 each for up to two presenters to attend the entire two and a half day conference. Presenters attending the conference only on the day(s) of their training session are entitled to that day's complimentary lunch and/or breaks.
- 2) WWSA does not pay presenter expenses to present at the conference.
- 3) WWSA provides each training room with a projection screen and AV cart. This *does not* include flip chart paper, markers, LCD projectors or any other AV equipment. All other AV equipment needs, including internet access, are the responsibility of the presenter. Presenters may not contract with the Kalahari or WWSA for additional AV equipment.
- 4) WWSA does not reimburse presenters for the cost of preparing or duplicating session handouts.
- 5) *WWSA prohibits all presenters from selling and/or marketing items within a training session. WWSA provides conference exhibit space. Interested presenters and others may contact Julie at jperkovich@hsshebco.org to secure exhibit space.*

Presenter Information (Please attach a brief bio, resume, or vitae; may be on file if a returning presenter.)
This person will receive all conference correspondence.

Name _____ Phone _____

Title _____

Organization _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail _____ Fax _____

Preferred Contact Method: Email Mail Phone

Co-Presenter Information

Name _____ Phone _____

Title _____

Organization _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail _____ Fax _____

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TRAINING SESSION PROPOSAL CONTINUED

Training Session Title: _____

Training Session Description for Program Please include, in 60 words or less:

- 1) Objectives or anticipated outcomes of the session, and
- 2) A statement of how the session will benefit attendees.

Description is subject to editing to fit our guidelines. If necessary, please attach a separate piece of paper.

Day(s) I am Not Available to Present

- Monday, February 2nd Tuesday, February 3rd Wednesday, February 4th

Audience Size <50 50-100 >100 Other Request: _____

Intended Content Level Beginning/Awareness Application/Skill-building Advanced/Refinement

Training Session Length 1-1/2 Hours 3 Hours

Training Session Type Workshop Interactive Discussion Other _____

Training Session Content (Please select UP TO TWO categories which best fit your content.)

- Community Partnerships
- Early Childhood Education & Development
- Early Head Start
- Health, Wellness, and Safety
- Leadership, Professional, and Organizational Development
- Program Design & Management
- Regional Priorities and ACF Federal Initiatives
- Supporting Families
- Tribal & Migrant Program Issues
- Other (please specify): _____

Are you willing to repeat your training session? Yes No

Do you require any special accommodations? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____