



2017 CFC Conferences

Exhibitor List and Acknowledgements

The Early Intervention Training Program at the University of Illinois extends its deepest appreciation to those listed below for their participation in one or both of these Leadership Conference Events. We ask that you take the time during this day to connect with these exhibitors and check out their offerings. They are here to support you in all that you do to support families in Illinois.

AT Medical Equipment, LLC



AT Medical Equipment is the leading assistive technology equipment provider in the State of Illinois. Working exclusively with the Illinois Early Intervention program, AT Medical Equipment, LLC provides 'in home' trials and assessments of equipment to assist families and therapists in making good decisions when it comes to selecting needed equipment. We work directly with each CFC office and insurance companies to obtain equipment in a timely manner, and then provide delivery and set-up for each child. Over 50 years of experience in Assistive Technology!

Caregiver Connections

www.caregiverconnections.org



This unique free support program helps child care providers throughout the state of Illinois recognize, understand, and respond to the social emotional needs of the children, birth through age five, in their care.

Central Billing Office (CBO)

www.eicbo.info



CBO is designed to facilitate the sharing of information with Early Intervention providers, Early Intervention program participants, parents or guardians, and Child and Family Connection agencies. Much of the information is provided in response to the types and number of calls received by the EI-CBO and the Cornerstone Call Center related to the Early Intervention Program. You are encouraged to visit this site before calling CBO's HELP DESK, as the information you seek is likely posted here.

Chicago Children's Advocacy Center

www.chicagocac.org



We are the city's only not-for-profit that coordinates child protection staff, law enforcement professionals, medical experts, family advocates and mental health clinicians under one roof. Since opening our doors in 2001, we have responded to more than 30,000 reports of child sexual abuse, averaging more than 2,000 reports each year.

The Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC)

The University of Illinois at Chicago's Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC) is the State's premier program serving children and youth with special healthcare needs (CYSHCN). DSCC has 12 regional offices statewide that serve Illinois families in their local communities. We partner with families and communities to help CYSHCN connect to services and resources. Our assistance is free to all eligible children, and our care coordination is tailored to each child and family's situation to ensure all providers, services and resources are working together to promote the child's health, happiness and long-term success.

The Illinois Early Intervention Clearinghouse

eiclearinghouse.org



The EI Clearinghouse provides a collection of services for families of children from birth to age 3 who have disabilities or developmental delays or who are at risk of having developmental delays. Families are the key to successful early intervention and it is the mission of the Clearinghouse to provide families with the information they need to support their children's growth and development. The EI Clearinghouse is operated by the Early Childhood and Parenting (ECAP) Collaborative at the University of Illinois and funded by the Illinois Department of Human Services, identifies and collects research-based and best-practice early intervention information to share with families.

The Early Intervention Monitoring Program

www.earlyinterventionmonitoring.org



EI Monitoring provided by the Vander Weele Group, LLC and funded through the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) is designed to:

- Improve compliance with state and federal regulations in the delivery of EI services to infants and toddlers.
- Review the provision of direct services, billing procedures, and the filing of required documentation.
- Check all Child and Family Connections (CFC) offices and credentialed/enrolled service providers to ensure appropriate service delivery.
- Assist families, CFC offices and EI service providers in addressing issues and resolving conflicts.
- Safeguard the rights of families to receive appropriate services and supports by investigating parent complaints regarding the appropriate billing of services.

The Early Intervention Training Program

eitp.education.illinois.edu



EITP is funded by the Illinois Department of Human Services, provides training opportunities for early intervention professionals in Illinois. With its mission to develop a system that is regionalized, responsive and reflective of best practice in the field of early intervention in Illinois, the objective of EITP is to enhance the knowledge and skills of service coordinators, early interventionists, and other stakeholders.

ExceleRate Illinois

www.excelerateillinois.com



ExceleRate is a quality recognition and improvement system that gives early learning programs the framework to make continuous quality improvements and gain recognition for their quality achievements. It also provides parents and families a searchable website where they can find quality early learning programs. ExceleRate Illinois is administered through INCCRRA under the joint direction of the Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development, the Illinois Department of Human Services, and the Illinois State Board of Education.

Family Matters Parent Training & Information Center

www.fmptic.org/



The mission of the Family Matters Parent Training and Information Center is to build upon families' strengths, empower parents and professionals to achieve the strongest possible outcomes for students with disabilities, and to enhance the quality of life for children and young adults with disabilities.

Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development ~ Maternal, Infant, Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) program



This is the main source of federal funding in Illinois for home visiting. MIECHV was designed to expand voluntary, evidence-based home visiting programs across the U.S. and improve the outcomes for pregnant women and families, particularly those considered at-risk.

Funding also supports benchmark evaluation, professional development, Infant Mental Health consultation, linkages to Medical Homes, the Universal Newborn Support System project, the Home Visiting-Child Welfare pilot project, the Home Visiting for Homeless Families demonstration project, "Mobile" DVD project, "iGrow" public awareness campaign, and systems building.

Illinois Action for Children

www.actforchildren.org



Illinois Action for Children works to ensure that every child in Illinois — particularly those in need — have access to the resources to succeed in school and in life. Since our founding in 1969, Illinois action for Children as worked to create systems of early care and education that help strengthen families and communities.

Illinois Assistive Technology Program (IATP)

www.iltech.org



IATP is the non-profit organization designated as the Statewide AT Program funded under the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as amended. IATP's lead agency is the Illinois Department of Human Services, Division of Rehabilitation Services and its mission is to increase access to and the acquisition of Assistive Technology (AT) devices and services for individuals of all ages with disabilities. IATP provides AT information and services in the areas of education, employment, community living, and IT/telecommunications. Our goal is to improve the quality of life of all Illinoisans with disabilities and enable them through greater access to assistive technology devices to fully participate in all aspects of life.

Illinois Head Start Association

ilheadstart.org



IHSA is caring and committed communities that strive to maximize the potential of all children and families and values:

- Leadership that proactively pursues the possibility of change
- Integrity through transparency and accountability
- A unified voice, reflective of diversity and respect for all
- Relationship-based partnerships that promote intentional collaborations

Military Family Learning Network

militaryfamilies.extension.org/family-development



The goal of the Family Development Early Intervention concentration area of the MFLN is to enhance the capacity of professionals working with military families who have young children (birth to 5 years old) with or who are at-risk for disabilities and developmental delays. We recognize that while military families may have similar needs as civilian families, they also face unique situations that can positively and negatively impact family life. Our focus connects largely to early intervention, family strengthening, family violence prevention and treatment and has targeted individuals in the mental health, family advocacy, and education fields.

Provider Connections

www.wiu.edu/providerconnections



Provider Connections is contracted by the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) Bureau of Early Intervention to credential, enroll, and provide technical support to EI providers interested in the credentialing and enrollment process. As part of Western Illinois University's Center for Best Practices in Early Childhood Education since 1997, Provider Connections has assisted the Illinois Department of Human Services in providing leadership in the Illinois EI system. The mission of Provider Connections is to ensure that professionals working in the Illinois EI System possess appropriate qualifications, enhance their professional growth, and strengthen their understanding of children ages birth to 3 with special needs.

STARnet

www.starnet.org



Illinois STARnet provides a variety of opportunities for personal and professional growth for those who touch the lives of young children, ages birth through eight, with an emphasis on children with special needs. STARnet supports family-centered, researched and effective practices in early childhood education and care.

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