Maryland Head Start Association 2017 Spring Conference Workshops

Wednesday, May 10, 2017 8:45 am -10:15 am

❖ Culture of Safety 1.5hrs

Interactive workshop where participants will participate in shared learning to increase their awareness of the importance of safety and injury prevention. Understanding how program staff can contribute to a culture of safety, learn what are the ten actions that should be implemented to create a culture of safety. Participants will become aware of the resources that are available to support them in creating a culture of safety.

Presenter: Toussaint Morgan is an experienced Health System Specialist with over 25 years experience. He is an advocate for health and wellness. Presently serves as Region 3 Head Start Health Specialist for Head Start programs in DC, MD, VA, WVA, DE, and PA.

❖ Head Start Performance Standards Data Monitoring 1.5hours

This workshop will entail strategies and performance guidelines for monitoring your Head Start program using the new Performance Standards. Participants will be given options on how to track and monitor the data that is needed to ensure that needed to be in compliance and ensure quality

Presenter: Lihong Ma has extensive management and technical experience in automating Head Start and CAP Programs. Mr. Ma has managed an participated in my hederal projects such as ECLKC, CCDP, and AFCARS. Lihong Ma is the founder of Cleverex and is the Chief Architect for the PROMIS Software. Lihong holds a MS in information Technology and a BS in Mathematics.

Presenter: Steven Arquieta graduated from the College of William and Mary and is currently an IT Specialist and Trainer with Cleverex Systems Inc.

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* Raising Positive Children in a Negative World

Core of Knowledge Content

This interactive training addresses the impact of television, radio, music, print, and technology on young children. We will explore the differences in raising daughters and sons. Participants will examine the changes in society from the 1950's to the present that have reshaped our values, culture and societal norms. Theories will be presented to provide a direction of how and what we as parents, educators and community can do to empower children from birth to school-age

Presenter: Amina Law is the CEO of Childcare Management Solutions (CMS) CMS provides training to ECE professionals throughout the US and beyond. CMS is also an approved training organization for MSDE.

Presenter: Conrad Law is an award winning speaker, an Amazon bestselling author and the CEO of Applied Learning Solutions. Conrad is also a senior trainer for Childcare Management Solution, an approved training organization for MSDE in MD and OSSE in DC.

Wednesday, May 10, 2017 10:30 am – 12:00 noon

❖ Maryland Vision for Engaging Families with Young Children 1.5hours

Participants attending this work session will learn more about Maryland's Early Childhood Family Engagement Framework and the resources developed to highlight supported strategies, processes, and techniques for explicitly implementing all the goals within the Framework. Participants will have the opportunity to work in groups and share successful family engagement strategies that can be implemented in programs. Practices included in the toolkit, contributed by various providers and educators across Maryland, are applicable in multiple settings, including family and center-based child care, preschool programs, Head Start programs, home visiting programs and other settings that serve young children and their families.

Presenter: Tresa Hanna has worked in the Collaboration and Improvement Branch of the Division of Early Childhood Development, Maryland State Department of Education for the last nine years. Prior to that Tresa was a Licensing Specialist in the Office of Child Care, a Child Care Trainer, a Head Start Teacher and Head Start Family Service worker.

Presenter: Karina Cortés Hudack serves as the Agency Grants Specialist at the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), where she is committed to overseeing Local Early Childhood Advisory Councils (LECACs) and Head Start State Supplemental Grantees across the state. She has facilitated two Parent Camps at the Federal level for the U.S. Department of Education.