Nurturing Developing Minds Conference and Research Symposium 2018: Building Resiliency

Call for Papers

Nurturing Developing Minds will be held February 22 and 23, 2018 in Greenville, South Carolina. This regional continuing professional development conference attracts a wide array of professional participants and provides an interactive learning and networking opportunity for a broad, interconnected workforce. In 2018 the Institute for Child Success will be partnering with the Children’s Hospital to sponsor the Early Childhood Research Symposium in conjunction with the conference.

Call for Papers
The Institute for Child Success (ICS) and the Children’s Hospital of the Greenville Health System invite participation in this symposium focused on highlighting research impacting the health, development, and safety of young children, and the contexts in which healthy development occurs.

Themes
The conference and the research symposium will address a range of critically important issues and themes relating to the health and well-being of young children. Plenary speakers include some of the leading medical and scientific thinkers. Breakout sessions will run in 4 different tracks; 2 tracks will have invited presentations on the care and management of children with developmental/special health care needs and 2 tracks will feature selected presentations by researchers in the field of early childhood health, education, policy and advocacy. There will also be poster sessions with opportunity for researchers to discuss their work with attendees.

ICS invites proposals for the research session presentations or posters addressing issues of early childhood development and resiliency around the following topics:

- Early Childhood Education and Learning, In and Out of the Classroom
- Promoting Optimal Health and Development through Public Policy and Workforce Considerations

Special interest will be given to proposals that cover the following topics: Adverse Childhood Experiences, the opioid epidemic, the built or physical environment, and the unique needs of rural communities. Proposal ideas that extend beyond these thematic areas will also be considered.

Submit a Symposium Proposal
Submit your paper in PDF or Word format to the Conference Selection Committee by emailing Keller Anne Ruble, Associate Director, Policy Research, Institute for Child Success kruble@instituteforchildsuccess.org.

Proposals should be no more than 300 words in length and should address a research question, findings or conclusions, and significance of the findings as they relate to building resilience. Please indicate all participants and the suggested session design (presentation or poster).

Proposals must be received no later than November 30, 2017.

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