Wednesday, October 14th through Tuesday October 20, 2020 Conference will be in a Virtual Format

**Proposal deadline August 28, 2020**

**Conference objectives:**

* Provide participants with strategies for improving their child care program in each of the YoungStar quality indicator areas.
* Help providers continue to build a professional network and understand the benefits of advocating for themselves.
* Offer inspirational messages that empower participants to think of themselves as business owners and professionals.

**Target audience:** Early childhood and out of school care professionals from Milwaukee area programs participating in YoungStar, especially 2 and 3 star programs. Program directors, teachers/caregivers in family and center-based child care programs, Head Start, 4K, and after school/out of school care programs.

**Anticipated attendance:** 500. Committee requests proposals in English, Spanish, and Hmong to meet the needs of our attendees.

**Planning Committee: (\*Lead Agency)**

4C For Children\*, Black Child Development Institute, La Causa Early Education & Care, Malaika Early Learning Center, Milwaukee Area Technical College, Milwaukee Child Care Alliance, Milwaukee Early Care Administration (DCF), Milwaukee Public Schools, Phases Child Care Center, Proveedoras Unidas (Family Child Care Providers), Supporting Families Together Association, The Registry, UW-Milwaukee School of Continuing Education, Wisconsin Early Childhood Association

**Conference Theme: Language and Literacy Highly requested topics:**

**Learning Environment & Curriculum**

Language & Literacy Learning

Developmentally Appropriate Environments & Practices

Anti-bias, diversity and equity

School Age Activity Planning

Creating Children’s Portfolios/ On-going Assessment

Aligning the curriculum with the WMELS

Assessment & Screening tools

Differentiating lessons for multi age groups

Dual Language Learners

**Health and Wellness**

Child guidance/challenging behaviors/Pyramid model

Stress management strategies

Infant Mental Health

Physical activity: transitions, activities, music & movement

**Education and Professional Development**

Credit-Based Education

Professional Development Supports

Staff Development

How to Coach Staff/ Reflective Practice

**Business Practices/Program Management**

For Family Providers:

* Creating and using a budget

For Group Center Directors

* Developing policies and procedures
* Encouraging professionalism
* Evaluating yourself & your staff

Family Engagement

Parent Communication, sharing development

Moving from 3 to 4 or 5 stars

Workshop proposals should meet a variety of practitioner experience levels, and reflect individual or multi-aged groupings.

**All workshop sessions are 1½ hours (90 minutes).** We are not offering double sessions. If more time is needed, please consider a ‘Part 1’ and ‘Part 2’ proposal.

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**Submit online:**

Through 4C For Children website

[www.4cfc.org](http://www.4cfc.org)

**Submit by mail:**

4C For Children

ATTN: Terryl Wheelock

1736 N. 2nd Street

Milwaukee, WI 53212

**Submit by email:**

twheelock@4cfc.org

**If you have questions**, please contact Terryl Wheelock at 414-267-3453, or twheelock@4cfc.org

**2020 Pathways to Quality Conference & Resource Fair**

**Presenter Protocols**

The Pathways Planning Committee strives to offer a professional and supportive experience for our attendees.

The following protocols are identified to work towards this goal.

Presenters can expect the Pathways to Quality Conference to:

* Provide timely communication regarding workshop acceptance status.
* Communicate in a courteous and professional manner.
* Provide timely and accurate information regarding conference activity.
* Once a workshop is accepted, to adhere to the content of the Presenter Agreement.
* Provide practical and reasonable assistance during the event.

The Pathways to Quality Conference expects Presenters to:

* Respond to all correspondence in a timely manner.
* Submit requested information completely and accurately.
* Communicate in a courteous and professional manner.
* Once a workshop is accepted, to adhere to the content of the Presenter Agreement.
* Actively support conference activity during the event.

The Pathways Planning Committee recognizes that presenters may have materials and/or services that they sell to the early learning field. We ask all presenters to be mindful of separating presenting activity from those of marketing. Space may be available in the Exhibit Area to meet any marketing needs. Services can also be advertised in the conference exhibitor area.

Contact information:

For Presenters: Terryl Wheelock; twheelock@4cfc.org

For Exhibitors & Vendors: Sarah Stormont; sstormont@4cfc.org

For Conference Exhibitor & Vendor Advertising: Sarah Stormont; sstormont@4cfc.org

**WORKSHOP SESSION INFORMATION**

1. **Presenter #1 (Single point of contact for communication)**

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| Name Click here to enter text. | Organization Click here to enter text. |
| Job title Click here to enter text. |
| Address Click here to enter text. |
| City, State, Zip Click here to enter text. |
| Phone Click here to enter text. | Email address Click here to enter text. |

1. **Are you an approved Registry trainer?**

[ ] Yes Registry number Click here to enter text.

[ ] No If No, please list your professional qualifications/licensure/degrees: \_\_Click here to enter text.

**Additional Presenter(s). Include Registry number.**

Name Click here to enter text.

Name Click here to enter text.

1. **Please list a reference who has seen you present:**

Name Click here to enter text.

Email Phone Click here to enter text.

1. **Workshop Title (subject to editing)**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Learning objectives** *As a result of attending this workshop, participants will be able to:*

a. Click here to enter text.

b. Click here to enter text.

c. Click here to enter text.

1. **Description for website schedule (limit 100 words, subject to editing)**

Click here to enter text.

1. **The workshops will be organized by track. This workshop best fits into which track?**

[ ] Infants/Toddlers [ ] Preschool[ ] School Age[ ] Leadership/Professional Development

***Please Note: Selected proposals may be asked for additional information to meet Registry Event requirements.***

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1. **Reflective Practice: How will you help your audience connect with others and use information that you present in their professional work?**

Click here to enter text.

1. **I can present this session in (check all that apply):** [ ] **English** [ ]  **Spanish** [ ]  **Hmong**

If your workshop is not in English, please ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET with the workshop title & description in the language in which it will be delivered.

1. **Audience level:** [ ]  **Beginner** [ ]  **Intermediate** [ ]  **Experienced**
2. **I would prefer to deliver the session:** [ ] **Pre-Recorded** [ ] **’Live’ In Real-Time** [ ] **Pre-Recorded with a scheduled ‘Live’ Q&A**
3. **Length of workshop session:** [ ] **1 hour (60 min.)** [ ] **1½ hours (90 min.)**
4. **I am willing to repeat this session (Only check if ‘Live’ Real-Time is selected above):** [ ]  **Yes** [ ]  **No**

**Presenters will receive Full Registration to the Conference and a $50 stipend per workshop as compensation for presenting.**

[ ]  Check if waiving presenter stipend. Registration will be paid for up to 2 presenters per workshop, if needed.

**Presenters who are also exhibiting can waive the presenter stipend in exchange for the banner advertising fee.**

[ ]  **Yes, I am requesting a Banner Advertising and will waive the presenter fee. (Staff will contact you to confirm)**

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**Selections will be announced by September 4, 2020.**