

# NEBRASKA

— Young Child Institute —

*A statewide conference for multidisciplinary professionals to connect on issues to improve the outcome of young children.*

## AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

### 2022 NEBRASKA YOUNG CHILD INSTITUTE AGENDA

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TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2022 (DAY 1)	
8:00-9:00 am	Registration Check-In
9:00-9:30 am	Welcome and Opening Remarks with <b>Julia Torquati, Ph.D.</b>
9:30-10:45 am	<b>Opening Plenary with Paul Dworkin, M.D.:</b> <i>Fulfilling the Promise: Transforming Child Health Services to Promote Children's Healthy Development</i>
10:45-11:05 am	Break and Networking
11:05 am -12:15 pm	Breakout Session A
12:15-1:15 pm	Lunch and Panel Discussion with Jaclynn Foged, M.S.
1:15- 3:55 pm	Day 1 Intensive Sessions (Across Breakout Sessions B & C)
1:15-2:25 pm	Breakout Session B
2:25-2:45 pm	Break and Networking with Snacks
2:45-3:55 pm	Breakout Session C
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2022 (DAY 2)	
8:00-9:30 am	<b>Plenary with Walter Gilliam, Ph.D:</b> <i>Suspensions, Expulsions, and the Role of Implicit Bias in Early Childhood Settings</i>
9:30-9:50 am	Break and Networking
9:50-11:00 am	Breakout Session D
11:00 am-12:00 pm	Lunch
12:00-1:10 pm	Day 2 Intensive Sessions (Across Breakout Sessions E & F)
12:00-1:10 pm	Breakout Session E
1:10-1:30 pm	Break and Networking with Snacks
1:30-2:40 pm	Breakout Session F
2:40-2:50 pm	Break and Networking
2:50-4:00 pm	<b>Closing Plenary with T. Marni Vos:</b> <i>The Business of Life and the Life of Business</i>
4:00 pm	Adjourn

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7:30-8:30	Exhibitor Setup	Diamond Room 1
8:00-9:00	Registration and Check-In	Pre-Function Area
9:00-9:30	Welcome and Opening Remarks with <b>Julia Torquati, Ph.D.</b>	Crystal Ballroom
9:30-10:45	<b>Plenary with Paul Dworkin, M.D.: Fulfilling the Promise: Transforming Child Health Services to Promote Children's Healthy Development</b>	Crystal Ballroom
10:45-11:05	Break and Networking	Pre-Function Area

**11:05 am - 12:15 pm**

<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS A</b>	Advocating for Young Children	Early Childhood Services	Early Education	Improving Systems to Support Young Children	Trauma and Resiliency of the Developing Child	Young Child Development
<b>IDEA Knowledge You Need to Advocate for Preschoolers with Disabilities and their Families</b> <i>Sharon Walsh</i> Room: Diamond 4	Advanced Experience					
<b>How to Help Our Youngest Children and Their Parents in Court: It's Everyone's Responsibility</b> <i>Judge Douglas Johnson, J.D.</i> Room: Ruby 7	Foundational Experience					
<b>Bringing Mindfulness and Compassion to Early Childhood Professionals: CHIME</b> <i>Jaclynn Foged, M.S. and Lynn DeVries, M.S.</i> Room: Diamond 10		Foundational Experience				
<b>What is Coaching and Is It for Me?</b> <i>Gina DeFreece, M.A. &amp; Becky Dunlap-Morton, M.S.</i> Room: Diamond 7			Foundational Experience			
<b>Nebraska Early Childhood Strategic Plan: A Dynamic Plan By and for Nebraskans</b> <i>Susan Sarver, Ph.D.</i> Room: Diamond 6			Foundational Experience			
<b>Understanding the Importance of Screening and Assessing for Trauma in Young Children</b> <i>Lindsey Ondrak, LMHP</i> Room: Diamond 5					Intermediate Experience	
<b>Changing the Intergenerational Pathway of Trauma</b> <i>Barbara Jessing, LMHP</i> Room: Diamond 9					Intermediate Experience	
<b>Perinatal Substance Exposure: Opioid &amp; Substance Use &amp; CARA Federal Law Implementation</b> <i>Ann Anderson Berry, M.D., Ph.D.</i> Room: Diamond 8						Intermediate Experience
<b>The Nebraska Family Helpline: It's Not Just for Teenagers</b> <i>Kyle Kinney, LMHP</i> Room: Diamond 3				Foundational Experience		

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12:15-1:15 pm	Lunch and Panel Discussion with <b>Jaclynn Foged, M.S.</b>   Panel will start at 12:40 pm	Crystal Ballroom
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**1:15 pm -3:55 pm**

<b>DAY 1 INTENSIVE SESSIONS</b> <i>Breakout Session B &amp; C (With a break with snacks 2:25-2:45pm)</i>	Advocating for Young Children	Early Childhood Services	Early Education	Improving Systems to Support Young Children	Trauma and Resiliency of the Developing Child	Young Child Development
<b>Overview of Child-Parent Psychotherapy, Parent-Child Interaction Therapy, and Circle of Security Parenting</b> <i>Samantha Bradley, LIMHP and Samantha Byms, LIMHP, LPC, NCC, IMH-E®</i> Room: Diamond 7						
<b>Help Me Grow in Nebraska</b> <i>Holly Dingman, M.S., Paul Dworkin, M.D., Rick Helweg, and Lindsay Bartlett</i> Room: Ruby 7						
<b>Stress, ACEs, Covid-19: Now What?</b> <i>Mark Hald, Ph.D.</i> Room: Diamond 2						
<b>Tough Conversations in Child Welfare: Balancing Transparency and Compassion</b> <i>Jamie Bahm M.S. and Michelle Paxton, J.D.</i> Room: Diamond 3						

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**1:15 pm -2:25 pm**

<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS B</b>	Advocating for Young Children	Early Childhood Services	Early Education	Improving Systems to Support Young Children	Trauma and Resiliency of the Developing Child	Young Child Development
<b>Removing Barriers: Collaborating with Interpreters at Work</b> <i>Javier Castellote, M.A</i> Room: Diamond 5						
<b>Parents Interacting With Infants (PIWI) in Nebraska</b> <i>Abbie Gustad and Christen Million, M.S.</i> Room: Diamond 4						
<b>Changing the Intergenerational Pathway of Trauma</b> <i>Barbara Jessing, LIMHP</i> Room: Diamond 9						
<b>Early Childhood &amp; Assistive Technology: Tips &amp; Tools to Support Young Children</b> <i>Kim Bowen and Stacey Hauser, M.A.</i> Room: Diamond 8						
<b>Early Development Network: Your Guide to Early Intervention Services in Nebraska</b> <i>Sue Bainter, M.A. and Jennifer Calahan</i> Room: Diamond 10						

<b>2:25-2:45 p.m.</b>	Break and Networking with Snacks	Pre-function area
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2:45 pm -3:55 pm

<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS C</b>	Advocating for Young Children	Early Childhood Services	Early Education	Improving Systems to Support Young Children	Trauma and Resiliency of the Developing Child	Young Child Development
<b>Practical Strategies to Support Young Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder</b> <i>Johanna Higgins, Ph.D.</i> Room: Diamond 4						
<b>Co-Regulation and Responsive Relationships</b> <i>Lindsey Ondrak, LIMHP</i> Room: Diamond 5						
<b>Bringing Mindfulness and Compassion to Early Childhood Professionals: CHIME</b> <i>Jaclynn Foged, M.S. Lynn DeVries, M.S.</i> Room: Diamond 10						
<b>Bridging the Divide in Early Childhood: Practical Strategies for Collaboration with Community and Families</b> <i>Sara Westerlin, Ed.D.</i> Room: Diamond 9						
<b>Perinatal Substance Exposure: Opioid &amp; Substance Use &amp; CARA Federal Law Implementation</b> <i>Ann Anderson Berry, MD, PhD</i> Room: Diamond 8						
<b>Understanding Brain Development from the Inside Out</b> <i>Jenny Benson, Ph.D.</i> Room: Ruby 6						

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<b>8-9:30 a.m.</b> Room: Diamond 5	Plenary with <b>Walter Gilliam, Ph.D.</b> : <i>Suspensions, Expulsions, and the Role of Implicit Bias in Early Childhood Settings</i>	Crystal Ballroom
<b>9:30-9:50</b>	Break and Networking	Pre-function area

**9:50 am - 11:00 am**

<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS D</b>	Advocating for Young Children	Early Childhood Services	Early Education	Improving Systems to Support Young Children	Trauma and Resiliency of the Developing Child	Young Child Development
<b>Practical Strategies to Support Young Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder</b> <i>Johanna Higgins, Ph.D.</i> Room: Diamond 4						
<b>Boosting Your Expertise: Infant Mental Health Endorsement in Nebraska</b> <i>Samantha Bradley, LIMHP and Kelli Hauptman, J.D.</i> Room: Diamond 7						
<b>Pyramid 101: An Introduction to Transformational Practices that Support Children's Social-Emotional Development</b> <i>Rosie Zweiback, M.A., Katie Zabel</i> Room: Diamond 3						
<b>Nebraska Home Visiting Initiatives Panel</b> <i>Stephanni Renn, M.A. facilitating a panel</i> Room: Diamond 9						
<b>IDEA Early Intervention (B-3) and Preschool Special Education (3-5): More the Same Than Different</b> <i>Sharon Walsh</i> Room: Ruby 6						
<b>Nebraska's Framework and Implementation of Plans of Safe Care</b> <i>Mikayla Wicks</i> Room: Diamond 6						
<b>Families Thrive: A Framework for Strengthening Families</b> <i>Alyson Goedken, Leslie Baker, and Sydney Shead</i> Room: Diamond 2						
<b>Trauma and Resiliency in Families</b> <i>Mike Vance, Ph.D.</i> Room: Diamond 5						
<b>Milestones Matter! Celebrating Children's Development and Improving Early Identification</b> <i>Kerry Miller, Ph.D.</i> Room: Diamond 10						

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<b>11 am-12 pm</b>	Lunch	Crystal Ballroom
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**12:00 pm - 2:40 pm**

<b>DAY 2 INTENSIVE SESSIONS</b> <i>Breakout Session E &amp; F (With a break with snacks 1:10-1:30pm)</i>	Advocating for Young Children	Early Childhood Services	Early Education	Improving Systems to Support Young Children	Trauma and Resiliency of the Developing Child	Young Child Development
<b>A Conversation About Transition Planning Across Programs and Settings</b> <i>Chelsea Bartling, Holly Hickson, M.A., Marisa Macy, Ph.D., Monica Wells, M. Ed</i> Room: Diamond 6						
<b>Constructive Ways to Understand and Communicate the Concept of Bias</b> <i>Walter Gilliam, Ph.D.</i> Room: Diamond 9						
<b>The Poverty Story You Don't Know</b> <i>Tina Chasek, Ph.D.</i> Room: Diamond 2						
<b>Increasing Security: Attachment in Early Childhood and Practical Tips</b> <i>Samantha Byrns, LIMHP, LPC, NCC, IMH-E®</i> Room: Diamond 7						

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**12:00 pm - 1:10 pm**

<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS E</b>	Advocating for Young Children	Early Childhood Services	Early Education	Improving Systems to Support Young Children	Trauma and Resiliency of the Developing Child	Young Child Development
<b>Recommendations to the Court: How to Advocate for Young Children Through Observation, Questions, and Court Recommendations</b> <i>Michelle Paxton, J.D</i> Room: Diamond 3						
<b>Integrating Reflective Practice in Early Childhood Systems in Nebraska</b> <i>Lynne Cook, M.A.M., Carrie Gottschalk, LMHP, Karen Pinkelman, M.A., and Kari Price, M.S.</i> Room: Diamond 4						
<b>CAPTA Referrals: Creating Your Own Narrative to Cultivate Client Relationships</b> <i>Jenna Koperski-Bohn, M.S.</i> Room: Diamond 8						
<b>Youth Homelessness in Nebraska</b> <i>Alexandria Labenz</i> Room: Diamond 5						
<b>Understanding Brain Development from the Inside Out</b> <i>Jenny Benson, Ph.D.</i> Room: Ruby 6						

<b>1:10-1:30 p.m.</b>	Break and Networking with Snacks	Pre-function area
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1:30 pm -2:40 pm

<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS F</b>	Advocating for Young Children	Early Childhood Services	Early Education	Improving Systems to Support Young Children	Trauma and Resiliency of the Developing Child	Young Child Development
<b>How to Help Our Youngest Children and Their Parents in Court: It's Everyone's Responsibility</b> <i>Judge Douglas Johnson</i> Room: Ruby 7						
<b>Co-Regulation and Responsive Relationships</b> <i>Lindsey Ondrak, LIMHP</i> Room: Diamond 5						
<b>Feeding and Sleeping Issues in Young Children: Strategies to Share with Families</b> <i>Sue Bainter, M.A. and Christina Kilgore, BSOT</i> Room: Diamond 10						
<b>How We Arrived at Safe &amp; Together — Douglas County, Nebraska's Journey to Systemic Change</b> <i>Judge Chad Brown, J.D. and Katie Hansen, M.A.</i> Room: Diamond 4						
<b>Lead Exposures in Nebraska Children: Improving Health and Educational Outcomes through Prevention</b> <i>Derry Stover, MPH and Naudia McCracken, MPH</i> Room: Ruby 6						
<b>Early Childhood &amp; Assistive Technology: Tips &amp; Tools to Support Young Children</b> <i>Kim Bowen and Stacey Hauser, M.A.</i> Room: Diamond 8						

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<b>2:40-2:50 p.m.</b>	Break and Networking	Pre-function area
<b>2:50-4:00 p.m.</b>	Closing Plenary with <b>T. Marni Vos:</b> <i>The Business of Life &amp; the Life of Business</i>	Crystal Ballroom
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Adjourn	

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## Conference Materials and Handouts

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## Exhibit Tables

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We invite you to visit our exhibit tables that are located in Diamond Room 1 of the Younes Center.

Vendors include:

- Answers4Families
- Children's Center for the Child and Community
- Early Development Network
- NDE-Assistive Technology Partnership
- Nebraska Association for Infant Mental Health
- Nebraska CASA
- Nebraska Department of Education
- Nebraska Family Helpline
- Nebraska Resource Project for Vulnerable Young Children
- We Care for Kids
- Central Nebraska Lifespan Respite Network
- Nebraska's Step-Up To Quality
- Nebraska Children and Families Foundation
- Nebraska Child Find
- Nebraska Head Start Collaboration Offices
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