



2017 STEP UP TO QUALITY CONFERENCE REGISTRATION MARCH 17 & 18, 2017 KEARNEY RAMADA INN*

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MARCH 10

FEE: \$25 PER DAY (ADDITIONAL COST FOR ERS TRAININGS)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

List any special accomodations or dietary needs: _____

DATES ATTENDING:

\$25 PER DAY (ADDITIONAL \$60 COST FOR ERS & \$25 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL BOOK)

Friday, March 17 _____

choose 1 track per day

Track 1 _____

Track 2 _____

Track 3 _____

Saturday, March 18 _____

choose 1 track per day

Track 1 _____

Track 2 _____

Track 3 _____

Track 4 _____

BOOK CHOICE(S):

FCCERS-R _____

ECERS-3 _____

ITERS-R _____

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ITERS-R _____

Checks payable to: Nebraska Department of Education
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6949 South 110th Street
Omaha, NE 68128-5722

Fax: 402-557-6890

Email attachment: deb.walls@nebraska.gov

Questions: 402-557-6880

***There is a block of rooms at the Kearney Ramada Inn. When making reservations, mention you are attending the Step Up to Quality conference. Rooms must be booked by March 2 to secure the conference rate of \$89.**

Refunds will not be issued for no shows, or requests received less than one week before the conference. Purchase orders will be processed for no shows and late cancellations. Substitutions will be accepted. Refunds must be requested in writing via email to: kim.schamp@nebraska.gov and must be made no later than one week prior to conference.

DAY 1 FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2017

8:00 - 9:00 am - Check-in & Breakfast		
9:00 - 10:00 am <i>Keynote Speaker</i> <i>"Quality Matters - Because of You"</i> <i>Michelle Rupiper</i>		
Track 1	Track 2	Track 3
<p>10:00 am - 4:00 pm <i>Go NAP SACC</i></p>	<p>10:00 am - 4:00 pm <i>Curriculum 101</i></p>	<p>10:00 - 11:30 am <i>Step Up to Quality Orientation</i></p> <p>11:30 am - 12:30 pm <i>Early Childhood Training Center Introduction</i></p> <p>1:00 - 2:00 pm <i>Legislative 101</i></p> <p>2:30 - 4:00 pm <i>Coach Panel</i></p>

DAY 2 SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2017

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9:00 - 10:00 am <i>Keynote Speaker</i> <i>"Quality Matters - Because of You"</i> <i>Michelle Rupiper</i>			
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Note: Each day - breakfast will be held from 8 - 9am; "portable" lunch from 11:30 am - 1 pm; afternoon snack will be provided.

SESSIONS

Not sure what the session is all about? Take a sneak peek! We've provided a short description to help you choose your track. There are also helpful notes for certain sessions that require additional fees or steps prior to the conference.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Michelle Rupiper

Learn about curriculum tools that are evidence based, aligned with ELGs, developmentally appropriate and incorporate nutrition and/or physical activity for children.

GO NAP SACC

Emily Hulse

Learn a series of steps for healthy nutrition and physical activities to promote positive child development.

Note: Prior to attendance, please complete the preself-assessment for your program. To create or update your Go NAP SACC account, visit: <http://negonapsacc.unl.edu/>

CURRICULUM 101

Penny Gildea

Learn about curriculum tools that are evidence based, aligned with ELGs, developmentally appropriate and incorporate nutrition and/or physical activity for children.

STEP UP TO QUALITY ORIENTATION

Friday: *Saffron Buettner, Traci Strazdas*

Saturday: *Joyce Kinney, Gina DeFreece*

Learn about Nebraska's Quality Rating and Improvement System to improve early care education quality and increase positive child outcomes.

INTRODUCTION TO FAMILY CHILD CARE ENVIRONMENT RATING SCALE-REVISED (FCCERS-R)

Connie Schweitzer

This four (4) hour session provides a basic understanding of the FCCERS-R. Participants will learn some of the important concepts of the scale and the scoring process, and will understand how using the scale can impact the quality of family child care programs.

Note: The fee to attend Introduction to FCCERS-R is \$60 and will include 1 FCCERS-R book. An additional book (FCCERS-R; ECERS-3, or ITERS-R) may be purchased for \$25 at time of registration.

INTRODUCTION TO EARLY CHILDHOOD ENVIRONMENT RATING SCALE-3 (ECERS-3) & INFANT/TODDLER ENVIRONMENT RATING SCALE-REVISED (ITERS-R)

Saffron Buettner

This four hour session provides a basic understanding of the ECERS-3 and ITERS-R. Participants will learn some of the important concepts of the scales and the scoring process, and will understand how using the scales can impact the quality of early childhood programs.

Note: The fee to attend Introduction to ECERS-3/ITERS-R is \$60 and will include 1 book of your choice (ECERS-3 or ITERS-R). An additional book (ECERS-3, ITERS-R or FCCERS-R) may be purchased for \$25 at time of registration.

EARLY CHILDHOOD TRAINING CENTER INTRODUCTION

Meleah Gamvroudis, Katie Miller, Jene Chapman, Emily Nash

Discover resources in the ECTC media center and how to use them to provide trainings.

LEGISLATIVE 101

Sarah Ann Kotchian

Learn the language and process of our elected leaders and how their work directly impacts early childhood care and education in this Legislative 101. Participants will leave with a deeper understanding of the Nebraska Unicameral and their own personal role in helping to shape public policy for children.

COACH PANEL

Friday: *Aiesha Rahn, Becky Morton, Saffron Buettner, Traci Strazdas*

Saturday: *Connie Schweitzer, Gina DeFreece, Jo Braun, Joyce Kinney*

Learn about early childhood coaching services. Participants will have the opportunity to hear from and ask questions about coaching provided by Step Up to Quality Coaches who are currently in the field.