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Bureau of Early Intervention (BEI) Family Initiatives

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BEI Family Initiatives

- Updating the *Early Help Makes a Difference* brochure
- Developing a Family-Directed Assessment brochure
- Collaborating with the Office for New Americans to provide information on the Early Intervention Program for their Resource Guide
- Participating in the Improving Representativeness in Family Outcomes Cross-State Learning Collaborative sponsored by DaSY/ECTA
- The EIP was featured in an e-learning training video for childcare providers sponsored by the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS)



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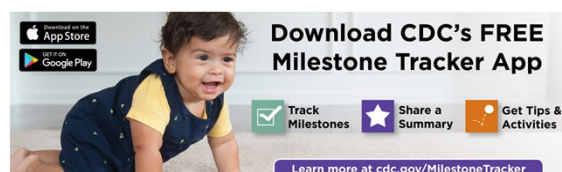
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's "Learn the Signs. Act Early." (LTSAE) Campaign

LTSAE information added to:

- BEI webpage
- New York State Online Professional Development Center Website – Statewide training page
 - Training courses
- EI Families website (eifamilies.com)
- EI Facebook posts



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDC 24/7: Saving Lives, Protecting People™



Lunch and Learn Training for providers

- June 29th from 12:00-12:30 pm
(Presented by Melissa Passarelli – NY Act Early Ambassador)



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New York State Early Intervention Program Families Listserv

- Are you interested in upcoming trainings for parents and caregivers?
- Are you looking for resources on developmental delays and disabilities?
- Do you want to share your ideas with the State Early Intervention Program?
- Do you want to learn about new State guidance and policies?

If you answered YES, sign up for the New York State Early Intervention Program Families Listserv (NYS EIP Families Listserv)

1. Send an e-mail to listserv@listserv.health.state.ny.us - write "Subscribe" in the subject line.
2. In the body of the e-mail, write "Subscribe NYS_EIP_Families-L", then your first name and last name
3. Remove any e-mail signatures, then click send
4. You will receive a Listserv confirmation e-mail. Click the link in this e-mail to confirm your subscription. If you do not see this confirmation e-mail in your inbox, please check your spam/junk folder for the e-mail.
5. If you have any trouble subscribing, please e-mail BEI.SSIP@health.ny.gov



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NYSDOH – Early Intervention Community of Families Facebook Group

www.facebook.com/groups/NYSDOHEI



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Postcard for EIP Families – Facebook Group and Listserv

Stay Connected with the New York State Early Intervention Program



The New York State (NYS) Early Intervention Program (EIP) wants to connect directly with families!



Find us on Facebook: NYSDOH – Early Intervention Community of Families



Join the NYS EIP Families Electronic Listserv today. You will receive important e-mails directly from the Bureau of Early Intervention.



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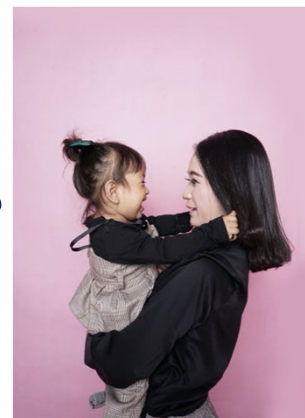
- Developing an EI Families Brochure to promote our leadership and advocacy skills training for parents – *Partners Training*
 - Translating all parent application materials into six additional languages
- Developing 10 video vignettes for parents on a variety of EIP topics
 - Welcome to EI, Family Outcomes Survey, Family-Directed Assessments, Partners Training



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Early Intervention Partners Training Project

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Project Coordinator



The Early Intervention Partners Training Project

- Is offered at no cost to:
 - Parents and caregivers of infants and toddlers with disabilities currently receiving early intervention services.
 - Parent members of Local Early Intervention Coordinating Councils (LEICCs).
- Helps parents gain a better understanding of the Early Intervention Program.
- Increases parent advocacy and leadership skills.
- Helps parents become involved in leadership activities at the local, State, and national level.
- Is offered in all five regions of New York State on a rotating basis.



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Partners Training Structure

Each Partners training consists of three parts:

Pre-recorded video

- Early Intervention Overview

Session I

- Interactive Webinar
- *IFSP Functional Outcomes*

Session II

- A two-day face-to-face training
(This session is currently held virtually)



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Sample Training schedule

Session	Day	Date	Time	Meals
Pre-recorded Video (viewed on your personal computer or mobile device)	N/A	N/A	At your convenience, any day or time prior to the Session 1 webinar	N/A
Session I Interactive Webinar: (viewed on your personal computer or mobile device)	Saturday	May 30th	9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	N/A
Session II In-person at: ABC Hotel and Conference Center, 123 Main Street, Happy Town, NY 132112	Friday	June 12th	4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Dinner
	Saturday	June 13th	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Breakfast/Lunch



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Partners Training Session I Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) Functional Outcomes

Session I

IFSP Functional Outcomes webinar from their personal computer or mobile device.

Participants will have opportunities to:

- Learn about the New York State Early Intervention Program
- Discuss Best practices and Natural Environments
- Learn about the IFSP process and developing meaningful child and family outcomes




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Partners Training Session II- In-person Training

Friday

- Getting Acquainted
- Conversation with New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Early Intervention (NYS DOH BEI)
- Overview of Early Intervention Coordinating Councils (EICC & LEICC)
- Opportunity for Parent Involvement
- Meeting with local EIP Representatives
- History of the Disability Movement
- Individual Leadership Goal Explanation.

Agenda		
		
Early Intervention Partners Training Project Session II Friday, November 13, 2020 4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. Session II Remote Learning Day 1		
Sponsored by The New York State Department of Health Bureau of Early Intervention and the Family Initiative Coordination Services Project at Just Kids Early Childhood Learning Center		
Agenda Topics: Friday		
Topic	Person Responsible	Time
Log in - Jump On & Say Hi		3:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Welcome!	Angela Furni & Talina Jones	4:00 P.M.
• Introductions, Housekeeping, Overview of Session, Logistics, Why BEI/CEI/BEI?		
Getting Acquainted		4:00 P.M.
Conversation with Constance L. Donahue	Constance L. Donahue Director, NYSDOH Bureau of Early Intervention	4:30 P.M.
Overview of Early Intervention Coordinating Councils (EICC & LEICC)		
Opportunities for Parent Involvement	Local EIP Representatives EIP Partners Participants	5:00 P.M.
• Meet your EIP topic		
• Online breakout groups with local EIP representatives		
• Back to main group - Debrief!		
Break: 6:00 P.M.		
History of Disability Movement	Talina Jones	6:00 P.M.
• What's New?		
Individual Leadership Goal Explanation	Angela Furni	6:30 P.M.
Debrief!	Angela Furni	7:30 P.M.
Closing Remarks, Overview of Agenda, Announcements	Talina Jones	7:40 P.M.
Session ends at 8:00 P.M.		




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Partners Training Session II- In-person Training (cont.)

Saturday

- Overview of EI Regulations
- Our Vision of EI
 - Group Activity
- Let's Talk About Transition
- Overview of Federal Legislation
- Making a Difference by Telling Your Story
- Public Speaking, Leadership, & Advocacy Skills
- Policy
- Leadership Goals – Sharing Ideas

Agenda		
		
Early Intervention Partners Training Project Session II Saturday, November 14, 2020 9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M. Session II Remote Learning Day 2		
Sponsored by The New York State Department of Health Bureau of Early Intervention and the Family Initiative Coordination Services Project at Just Kids Early Childhood Learning Center		
Agenda Topics: Saturday		
Topic	Person Responsible	Time
Log in - Jump On & Say Hi		8:45 - 9:00 A.M.
Welcome Back!	Angela Furni & Talina Jones	9:00 A.M.
• Housekeeping		
• Overview of Session		
Overview of EI Regulations	Angela Furni	9:05 A.M.
Online Resources	Talina Jones	9:45 A.M.
Overview of Federal Legislation		
Break: 10:30 A.M.		
Let's Talk About Transition	Angela Furni	10:45 A.M.
Lunch Break: 12:00 P.M.		
Public Speaking, Leadership & Advocacy Skills	Talina Jones	12:30 P.M.
Policy & Change - Making a Difference Through Family Participation	Angela Furni	2:00 P.M.
Individual Leadership Goals - Sharing Ideas	Talina Jones	2:30 P.M.
Q & A	Angela Furni & Talina Jones	3:00 P.M.
Closing Remarks, Evaluation Forms		3:30 P.M.
On Our Way: 3:30 P.M.		



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Past Participants (Partners Grads) Goals and Successes

Individual leadership goals

EXAMPLES:

- Advocated for handicap swings and accessible playgrounds
- Organizing support groups and playgroups within their community
- Working with their local NICU to give out Early Intervention brochures to parents with infants in the NICU
- Advocating for EI families in the early intervention program on the State and local levels.
- Partners grads becoming members of the NYS EICC and their local LEICCs



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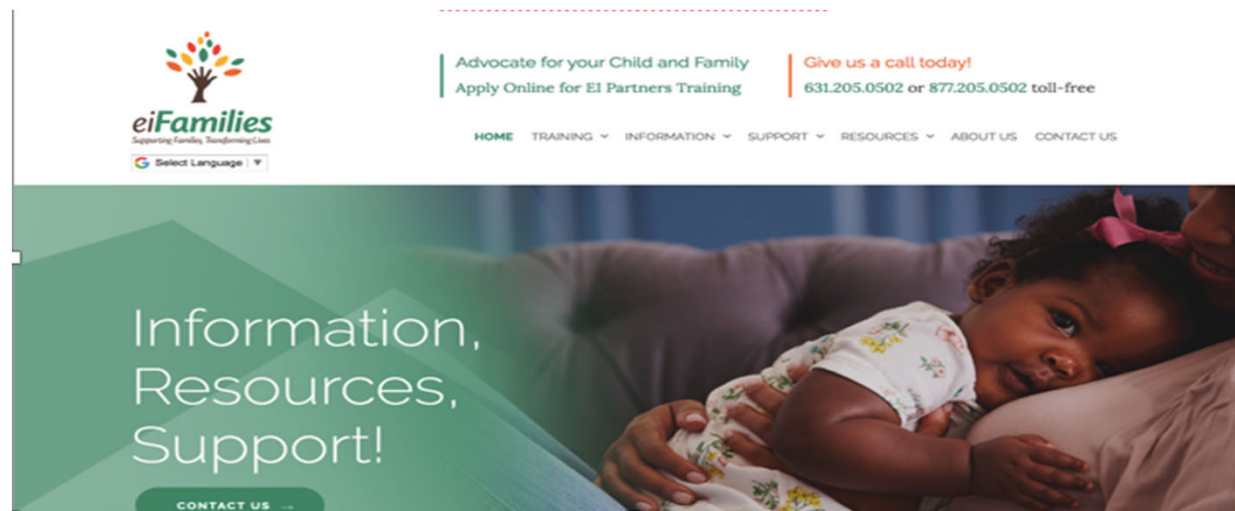
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The eiFamilies website is part of the Family Initiative Coordination Services Project at the Just Kids Early Childhood Learning Center. The Family Initiative Coordination Services Project is sponsored by the New York State Department of Health Bureau of Early Intervention.



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