

Call for Presenters

2019 Early Childhood Professional Development Conference

All Children Together

*Presented by: Abilities Network Project ACT
&
The Community College of Baltimore County*

Event Dates: Friday, September 20, 2019
9:00am-3:30pm
And Saturday, September 21, 2019
8:30am-4:30pm

Location: CCBC Owings Mills 10300 Grand Central Ave.

Scope

Project ACT's 10th Annual Early Childhood Professional Development Conference provides education and professional growth as well as networking opportunities for the early childhood education and early child care communities throughout the state of Maryland. In celebration of our 10th conference, we will return to our roots and celebrate bringing all children together!

All Children Together

Our 10th Annual Early Childhood Professional Development conference **will take place over two days** this year in order to meet the growing demands of providers. The format and focus will be different on each day, so please read the following information carefully, as this is different from our previous conferences.

Day One: Friday September 20th

This day will focus on leadership topics and capacity building. The intended audience will be early childhood directors, assistant directors, owners and teachers/providers in leadership roles. We expect to draw between 75-90 attendees, with session sizes of 25-30. The topics sought for this day include:

- Universal Design for Learning
- The Special Education System
- Supporting Families
- Staff Retention
- ADA-Americans With Disabilities Act
- Center Policies
- Stress Management/Self Care

We are seeking presenters who are able to stay with us for the day and provide the same presentation three times. Presentation sessions are an hour and thirty minutes in



length; workshop sessions should include interactive large and small group activities that encourage involvement and active participation of all attendees and address the needs of adult learners..

Agenda -Day 1



Day Two: Saturday September 21st

This day will focus on information for all early childhood professionals around the theme of inclusion. We expect approximately 150 participants this day, with each session having 30 participants. Presentation sessions are an hour and thirty minutes in length; workshop sessions should include large and small group activities that encourage involvement and active participation of all attendees.

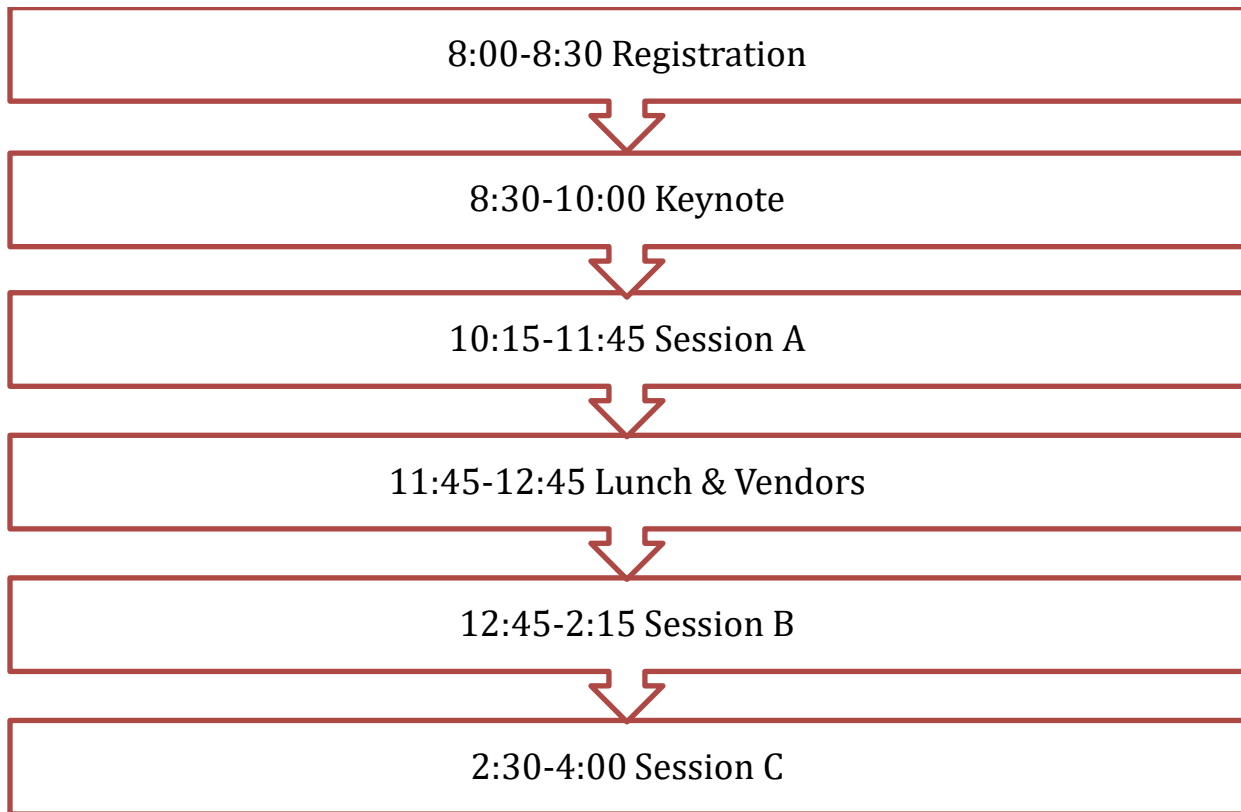
- Including children with special needs
- Challenging behaviors
- Developmental screenings and assessment
- Developmental delays
- Multiple intelligences
- The Birth to Five special education system
- Current research on inclusivity
- Autism



- ADHD
- Adapting environments
- Social skills/peer relationships
- Differentiating lesson plans
- Self-care/stress management

We welcome presenters to hold their sessions multiple times. Presentation sessions are an hour and thirty minutes in length; workshop sessions should include interactive large and small group activities that encourage involvement and active participation of all attendees and address the needs of adult learners.

Agenda - Day 2



Proposal Invitation

Abilities Network Project ACT and The Community College of Baltimore County invite you to share your knowledge and experience with other early childhood professionals. Our conference will be a full day event with sessions on topics that address positive learning experiences, building supportive relationships, and meeting the needs of all children. We are seeking presentations from individuals and organizations based on the theme, “All Children Together.” If you are interested in applying and need assistance completing the proposal submission form, please contact Jen Jurch at jjurch@abilitiesnetwork.org or 443-761-5092.

There is a modest honorarium for any presenter chosen to present who meets conference guidelines.

To submit your proposal, forward all completed documentation using the format provided below by February 15, 2019 via email to jjurch@abilitiesnetwork.org . Feel free to attach extra documentation if needed.

Important Dates

- Proposal submission deadline 02/15/19
- Notice of acceptance 03/1/19
- Conference registration opens 05/20/19
- Speaker’s presentation information requested by 08/01/19



Proposal Template

Presenter's Name	
Presenter's Title	
Presenter Bio	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
Agency Name	
Address	
Proposed Workshop Title	
Description of Workshop	
Willing to present more than one session?	Yes ___ No ___
Preferred Time Slot(s)	Session A ___ Session B ___ Session C ___
Table with Vendors	Yes ___ No ___
Lunch	

