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7:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Registration / Breakfast
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	General Session / Keynote
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Vendor / Exhibit Hall Visit
10:15 AM - 12:15 PM	Breakout Session 1
12:15 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	Basket Raffle / Vendor / Exhibit Hall Visit
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Breakout Session 2
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Basket Raffle Pick up

GENERAL SESSION / KEYNOTE 1

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

PARTNERS IN OUR FUTURE - SUPPORTING MARYLAND'S CHILDREN TO THRIVE

Keynote Speaker: Sarah Neville-Morgan
COK: 1PRO

The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) will discuss the current state and future of early childhood education, emphasizing the essential role of family child care in helping Maryland's children thrive. This session will provide updates on how MSDE is investing in quality, expanding access through Pre-K, and supporting family child care educators as essential partners in building a high-impact, world class early learning and care system.



ENGLISH**A. Getting CLASSy with Maryland EXCELS**

Andrea L. Zabel, M.Ed. | 2 PRO

This training will explore the CLASS® (Classroom Assessment Scoring System) observation tools and learn how Maryland EXCELS is using them.

B. Learning to Read the World: How Play Supports Early Literacy Learning

Rebecca Horace | 2 CUR

Play is not just fun—it's foundational for early literacy development! This engaging session explores how language-rich, play-based experiences help children develop essential early reading and writing skills. Through real-world examples and hands-on strategies, participants will learn how to nurture oral language, comprehension, vocabulary, and print awareness through everyday play. Designed for family child care providers, this session emphasizes developmentally appropriate practices that align with early learning standards and support diverse learners.

SPANISH | ESPAÑOL**Currículo intencional y planificación en la educación infantil temprana**

Graciela Semidey | 1 CUR; 1 PRO

Esta sesión interactiva de capacitación de dos horas está diseñada para profundizar la comprensión de los educadores de la primera infancia sobre el currículo y la planificación como componentes esenciales de entornos de aprendizaje temprano de alta calidad. Los participantes explorarán cómo las prácticas apropiadas para el desarrollo, los estándares de aprendizaje y las observaciones de los niños influyen en el diseño curricular intencional y la planificación diaria.

A través de interesantes debates y actividades prácticas, los educadores aprenderán a alinear los objetivos curriculares con las necesidades de desarrollo, los intereses y los antecedentes culturales de los niños. La sesión también abordará la importancia de la flexibilidad, la reflexión y las interacciones entre docentes y niños en.



ENGLISH

A. Strengthening Business Practices

Patty Stine | 2 PRO

Strong business management leads to better outcomes for children. This introductory workshop will lay the foundation for identifying key elements to enhancing financial literacy, operational efficiency and marketing strategies. We will review budgets, financial reports, and internal controls.

B. Practice Safe Stress™: Preventing Burnout While Building Resilience and Team Camaraderie in Challenging Times

Mark Gorkin, MSW, LICSW | 1 HSN; 1 PRO

Today's politically charged world is filled with program and financial uncertainty and cutbacks, clients confronted by past trauma and present adversity who need and demand our time, attention, and services. No wonder many professionals feel they are living on the edge of stress. Have no fear (well, maybe a little) ... "The Stress Doc"™ is here. Let the Stress Doc's "Get FIT" - FUN-Interactive-Thought-provoking - program provide tools for: a) Burnout Prevention/Recovery, b) Psychological Hardiness/Stress Resilience, and c) Natural SPEED. Learn techniques for dealing with loss and change and for disarming self-defeating power struggles. Learn to positively set boundaries while gaining structures and strategies for building more inclusive, "helmets off," and "we're all in this together" teams and culture.

SPANISH | ESPAÑOL

Desarrollo y Estimulación del Lenguaje en la Primera Infancia (0-3)

Meylin R Mejia | 2 CD

Durante los 3 primeros años de vida, el cerebro infantil atraviesa un periodo crítico para el desarrollo del lenguaje. Este entrenamiento abordará información y estrategias basadas en evidencia sobre la evolución del lenguaje en los menores de 3 años, estrategias efectivas para fomentar un entorno rico en comunicación.



RATES

	Rate
Member	\$150
Non-member	\$175

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