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Welcome to the Early ACCESS (EA) Wednesday Wonders! The purpose of this newsletter is to have a consistent, predictable way for EA stakeholders to stay current on happenings as well as share information with other stakeholders such as practical advice, training announcements, video clips, and/or success stories. It is a newsletter for stakeholders, by stakeholders. Please let me know if you have something you would like to contribute or have suggestions or comments at: melissa.schnurr@iowa.gov

To view archived Wednesday Wonders, visit the Iowa Family Support Network website.

Find the good. It's all around you. Find it, showcase it and you'll start believing in it. - Jesse Owens

Wondering about FGRBI?

New Materials to Share With Families About Virtual Visits:

Larry Edelman recently released <u>five new videos</u> produced for parents who are new to early intervention home visits provided via video conferencing. In each of these two-to-three minute videos, parents describe how virtual home visits have been working for their families. Providers may find it useful to share selected videos with families who are new to their programs.

Wondering about Service Coordination?

Mark Your Calendars – SC Networking Webinar September 21:

The next Service Coordinator (SC) Networking Webinar for Iowa SCs is Monday, September 21 from 1-2PM CT. Three mothers of children who participated in Early

ACCESS in the past will share their experiences and tips to make Early ACCESS an even better experience than it already is. Use this zoom link to join. If you can't make it live, find the archived webinar here.

In case you were wondering....

Video Chats – Early Intervention Tele-Assessment:

These two conversations (Video Chat 1; Video Chat 2) are hosted by Dana Childress of Virginia and involve a variety of providers from different disciplines. These are well worth the time to view if you are struggling with doing assessments via technology or just want to hear how others are doing this work.

The Simple Guide to Sensory Development in Early Childhood:

Babies and children learn and discover the world through their senses. Find out what the importance of <u>sensory</u> development is and how children learn through their seven senses.

Early ACCESS Vision: Every infant and toddler with or likely to have a developmental delay and their families will be supported and included in their communities so they will be healthy and successful.

Tips to Build Screen Sense:

When it comes to media and young kids, the guidelines are not always consistent. For example, the World Health Organization says no screens for kids under one and the American Academy of Pediatrics has offered different advice. Go to this link to read and watch a video about top tips from researchers for positive media use for children in English and Spanish.

Something wonderful is happening....

DEC Early Intervention (EI) Community of Practice (CoP) Webinar (Open to All):

Join the DEC EI CoP on Wednesday, September 23 from 2-3:30PM CT for a free webinar, "Implementation of a Primary Service Provider Teaming Approach: Lessons Learned — Boots on the Ground". The purpose of this webinar is to generate a thought-provoking discussion focused on the ins-and-outs of implementing a primary service provider (PSP) teaming approach. Panel members experienced with varying phases and scales of implementation will join Dathan Rush and M'Lisa Shelden for a lively deep-dive into PSP teaming. The goal is to provide insight, answer questions, and offer information for individuals, teams, programs, and states who have experience with implementing the approach, those newly implementing, as well as programs/states who may be considering implementation. More information and registration is here.

Registration is Open for the 2020 Early Learning VIRTUAL Fall Institute:

Registration for the 2020 Early Learning VIRTUAL Fall Institute, Building Brighter Futures, is <u>now open!</u> Join the Iowa Association for the Education of Young Children on October 1-3, 2020 (pre-institute workshops the week of September 28) online for our virtual Institute. The deadline to register is September 23 at 5:00PM CT.

Attendees will need to select the workshop sessions they will be attending at the time of registration. View pages 9-15 of our <u>registration booklet</u> to select your workshop sessions before registering. Members, review page 19 of the registration booklet for full instructions on how to access your discounted member rate. Questions? Contact Anne Geiger, 515-331-8000 ext. 122 or <u>anne@iowaaeyc.org</u>.

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