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.

You may not control all the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them. —Maya Angelou

**Wondering about FGRBI?**

**Recorded Webinar – FGRBI and SDI for Higher Education:**
On November 13, facilitators from the AEAs, higher education, and the Iowa Department of Education came together to share information and resources on family guided routines based intervention (FGRBI) and specially designed instruction (SDI) for faculty from multiple disciplinary programs across Iowa. The first 45 minutes of the webinar includes resources for FGRBI, the evidence based practices Early ACCESS providers are using with families. The second 45 minutes includes resources for SDI, the evidence based framework that early childhood special education teachers are using with preschool students and teachers. Although the webinar was designed for higher education, it is applicable to anyone who wants to know more about either topic.

**Wondering about Service Coordination?**

**Recording of SC Networking Webinar – Child Care Assistance + Webinar on Knowledge & Skills for SCs:**
The November 16, 2020 SC Networking Webinar received rave reviews! If you weren’t able to join live, view the recording and take advantage of the tips shared about applying for child care assistance.

Registration is open for a national webinar on the new Knowledge & Skills for Service Coordinators that will be held on December 3 at 2-3pm. All details and registration is posted here: https://www.dec-sped.org/servicecoordinationcop. It will be recorded and posted on the CoP website if you can’t join live - no need to register.

*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.*
In case you were wondering....

Online Module - Early Music Experience:
This 25-minute online module from the Institute for Learning & Brain Sciences (I-LABS) explains how music can be used to build relationships and support children’s early learning. Each module delivers content through narrated PowerPoint slides with embedded videos. A discussion guide and handout are also available for this module.

Short Video - Get a Grip!
In these challenging times of COVID-19, it’s more important than ever for adults to model effective ways to handle stress. Check out the model and the message in this video.

Something wonderful is happening....

FREE - NRCEC 2020 Virtual Conference:
The Administration for Children and Families National Research Conference on Early Childhood (NRCEC) 2020 will present the latest research surrounding Head Start, Early Head Start, child care, home visiting, child welfare, special education, pre-kindergarten, early elementary, and other early childhood programs. Registration for this event is free and open to the public. You will be able to access all virtual conference sessions from the NRCEC website. Sessions will be streamed from November 30 – December 3 and will feature live Q&A sessions with the presenters. In addition, all conference sessions will be available for on demand viewing following the live event dates.

For more information about Early Childhood Iowa, visit: https://earlychildhood.iowa.gov

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