



Early ACCESS  
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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](mailto:melissa.schnurr@iowa.gov)

To view archived Wednesday Wonders, visit the Iowa Family Support Network [website](#).

*Today you are you! That is truer than true! There is no one alive who is you-er than you!* –Dr. Seuss

## Wondering about FGRBI?

### What To Expect in Early ACCESS – Resources for Families and Providers:

Information about [Early ACCESS](#) is housed within the [Iowa Family Support Network](#) website. Within the Early ACCESS tab, the sub-tab for Parents & Family has information about [what to expect](#) in Early ACCESS, including a short video and a handout for families that describes family guided routines based intervention (FGRBI) and caregiver coaching. Another sub-tab is for Referral Sources and includes additional information to support professionals who may refer infants and toddlers to Early ACCESS.

## Wondering about Service Coordination?

### Registration Open for Free Web Conversation – Service Coordination Matters:

The Division for Early Childhood (DEC) recently launched a new [Community of Practice for Service Coordinators](#) (membership in DEC is not required to join the CoP). Join the Service Coordination Community of Practice for "Service Coordination Matters – A Web Conversation To Recognize What You Bring to the EI Team" on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 1:00 - 2:00 pm CT to network with service coordinators from across the nation and reflect on the expertise and value you bring to your early intervention teams. We will connect service coordination to the [DEC Recommended Practices](#) and discuss how you implement these practices in your work with families and other team members. We'll also discuss the new SC CoP and invite your great ideas for future activities and how the SC CoP can support you! [Registration](#) is required.



*Early ACCESS Vision: Every infant and toddler with or at risk for a developmental delay and their families will be supported and included in their communities so that the children will be healthy and successful.*

## In case you were wondering....

### **New Vlog - Home Is Where the Love Is: Homelessness, Children, and Families:**

In the February [ECLKC vlog](#), Dr. Bergeron visits Sesame Street! The show recently introduced Lily, a young muppet character whose family is experiencing homelessness. Watch as Dr. B and Kama Einhorn, Lily's lead developer, discuss approaches that help children feel secure and resources for programs and parents. Dr. B also sends a #HomeAtHeadStart shout out to Atlanta programs and partners collaborating to serve more children experiencing homelessness.

### **State of Babies Yearbook 2019:**

Where babies are born makes a big difference in their chance for a strong start in life! Review how Iowa's babies are doing [here](#). Check out the full [State of Babies Yearbook: 2019](#) from [ZERO TO THREE](#) & [Child Trends](#) to read all information from states.

## Something wonderful is happening....

### **Webinar Series for Faculty, Instructors, and PD Providers – Register ASAP:**

The 2019 series of [free webinars](#) for faculty, instructors, and PD providers was just announced by the new SCRIPT-NC project. If you are interested in any of the offerings, I encourage you to sign up as soon as possible. All webinars will be recorded and available, along with any webinar resources, on the [SCRIPT-NC website](#).

### **Free Webinar - Bang! Squish! Leap! Supporting the A in STEAM with Infants and Toddlers:**

Just like science, technology, engineering, and math, engaging with the arts involves creativity, problem-solving, and structured exploration. In this webinar, explore the skills that children build across domains as they bounce to music or scribble on a page. Join Amelia Bachleda, Ph.D., from the Institute for Learning & Brain Sciences, University of Washington, for this next webinar in the BabyTalks series on Thursday, March 14 from 2-3pm CT. [Click here](#) to register.

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

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