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CALL FOR PROPOSALS

*Parents as Teachers Virtual Conference
April 12th & 13th, 2021*

FOCUS TOPICS:

- GOAL SETTING
- ORGANIZING VIRTUAL TIME
- SUPPORTING FAMILIES
- PROGRAM PLANNING
- INFANT YOGA
- INFANT MASSAGE
- RECRUITMENT DURING COVID
- PARENT EDUCATOR MENTAL HEALTH, SUPPORT, SELF CARE
- CONNECTION WITH FAMILIES DURING A PANDEMIC



WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE WITH OTHERS?

Are you interested in presenting a 70 minute session on one of the topics above? Do you have another topic in mind that would benefit parent educators across the state? If so, please complete the proposal form below. Proposals should be relevant to the work of parent educators who support children under 5 years of age (including prenatal) and their families.

Submit a Proposal

DUE
FEBRUARY
16TH, 2021

Please fill out the proposal form by connecting at the following web address:

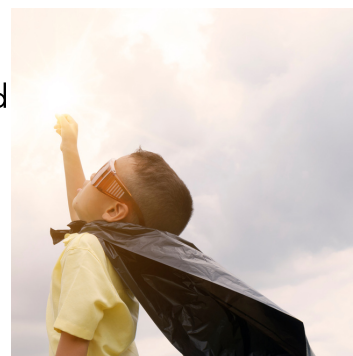
<https://kpata.wufoo.com/forms/kpata-state-conference-call-for-proposals-2021/>

Registration fee will be waived for those who are selected to present.

Questions? Please contact Hilary Koehn at hkoehn@kpata.org.

BRIGHT FUTURES UPDATE

In January, we continued to partner with DCF providers and gained **14 new referrals**. We are so very grateful for the work of Parent Educators across the state- your hard work is making a difference in the lives of these families and children!



https://drive.google.com/file/d/1n_QlyCfz6JT4fGwuBh2E2OHfLrXWKdBo/view?usp=sharing

REGIONAL SPOTLIGHT: NORTH EAST



I have been a Parent Educator for 5 years but this past fall is the first time I had served a BFG family. I had the opportunity to get to know the family throughout 7 virtual visits. During the beginning of our visits, Mom mentioned how they didn't have any books in the home for her 2 children as we were discussing early literacy. The next week, I sent the family 2 boxes of activities, handouts, and books for both children. Mom reported back to me that her daughter loved the books and since receiving the books, she always asks mom to read to her everyday.

Although it may seem like a small gesture, I know the interaction with mom reading the books to her children is a big step in both their parent & child interaction, as well as introduction to early literacy.

Although it is a challenge to work with a family that lived far enough away that I would never be able to meet them in person, I believe an impact was made on both the family and myself.

KCSL Training Opportunities

**THE FOLLOWING TRAININGS ARE
AVAILABLE AT NO COST THROUGH
KANSAS CHILDREN'S SERVICE
LEAGUE**

✓ **CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT:
MANDATED REPORTING**

✓ **DARKNESS TO LIGHT STEWARDS OF
CHILDREN SEXUAL ABUSE
PREVENTION TRAINING**

**VISIT THIS LINK FOR MORE INFO.-
[HTTPS://WWW.KCSL.ORG/TRAINING_E
VENTS.ASPX](https://www.kcsl.org/training_events.aspx)**



Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0oc-6srTkuH9bZaeXoicOwtsPCNb8gqphg>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

February 2021

February 19: Board Meeting

February 22-26: Virtual Foundational 2 Training

February 25: Lunch & Learn

March 2021

March 1-5: Virtual Foundational 2 Training

March 15-23: Virtual Foundational Training

March 19: Board Meeting