



STATEWIDE KPATA CONFERENCE

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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/](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.

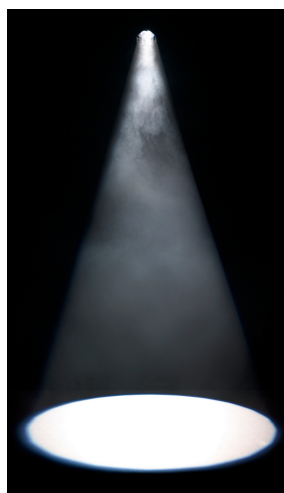
BRIGHT FUTURES UPDATE

There are 113 total referrals to date! Kuddos to the 30 participating programs that have helped contribute to the 196 completed visits in November. Keep up the great work!

Success story: A new partnership was formed with the NE FFPSA Case manager. This collaboration will hopefully increase referrals in the NE Region of the service area.



December 2020
28 referrals



REGIONAL SPOTLIGHT: KANSAS CITY

I am a new educator to PAT and this BF family referral came to me as one of my very first families to visit. I was nervous about working with a teen mom and felt a lack of confidence in making a connection with the family as I worked alongside them. I surprisingly and quickly developed a rapport with this mom, who felt that she could communicate with me in times of stress. This connection allowed me to help her problem solve recently. Transportation is a large barrier for this family- they had no working car and had trouble making any appointment for a ride through medicaid transit. She reached out to me, we discussed the options & stressed to her how important it was to make it to this appointment as her baby has a heart condition. After partnering with CPS, she was able to secure a ride. Mom reported good news from the Dr but that she had accidentally left the baby's heart monitor at the hospital. I was able to provide the phone number of the social worker at the hospital and through a great deal of teamwork, the monitor was located and returned to the family. This experience built her confidence in her problem solving and competency as a parent. I'm grateful for the opportunity to be working with this family during this season of their lives and to see this mother grow in her parenthood through this experience.

NEW ADMIN ASSISTANT

Please welcome Dana Clary as the new Admin Assistant Bright Futures Program. Dana has been a Parent Educator and Supervisor in the NE Region for the past 12.5 years. She lives in Highland with her husband, Brant, and 2 daughters, Jaelynn & Jozee. Dana is excited to join the KPATA team!



UPCOMING EVENTS & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

January 2021

January 4-12: Virtual Foundational Training

January 15: Board Meeting

January 31: Regular registration deadline for National Home Visiting Virtual Summit

February 2021

February 19: Board Meeting

February 22-26: Virtual Foundational 2 Training

February 25: Lunch & Learn