



kpata
KANSAS PARENTS AS TEACHERS

MARCH 2023



**Coffee
BREAK**



**CHECK OUT THIS
VIDEO FROM PAT
& RAISED WITH
LOVE & LIMITS**



From Advent Health Parent Care Coffee
Break Video Series

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BRIGHT FUTURES SUCCESSES

SUCCESS STORY

Mom is doing a great job at incorporating more of a routine with children on days that she's home with them. Mom and I came up with a schedule together, and then I had Mom post schedule in girls' room so that children had visual reminder of routine. Mom reported that she's noticed better behavior from her older daughter since implementing the schedule. I also encouraged Mom to practice not only preventative health with children but with herself as well (something she hasn't always done). As a result, Mom has followed up with a dentist to get dental care of herself.

- 21 NEW REFERRALS
- 118 ACTIVE REFERRALS
- 38 PARTICIPATING PROGRAMS



2023 KPATA CONFERENCE

[HTTPS://KPATA.ORG/2023-KPATA-CONFERENCE](https://kpata.org/2023-kpata-conference)



**Heroes.
Hurdles.
Hope.**

2023 KPATA CONFERENCE
WEBSTER
CONFERENCE CENTER
2601 N. OHIO ST.
SALINA, KS

APRIL 17TH

1:00 pm - 4:15 pm

APRIL 18TH

8:30 am - 12:30 pm

KPATA Membership Meeting

1:00 - 2:00 pm

KEYNOTE

**Stephen P. Zwolak,
M.Ed.**



REGISTER

Please register by **April 3rd**
by completing the form [here](#).

Cost to attend:

IN-PERSON

\$70 for KPATA members and \$110 for
non-KPATA members

VIRTUAL

\$40 for KPATA members and \$80 for
non-KPATA members



REGISTER HERE BY APRIL 3RD

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**DON'T
FORGET!**

**REMEMBER TO RESERVE
YOUR ACCOMMODATIONS
IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY!**

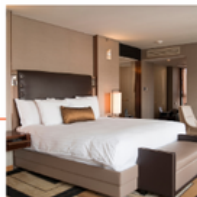
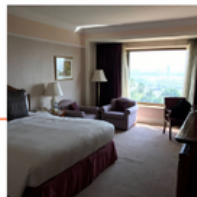


ASK FOR THE "Group Block" KPATA RATE

RECOMMENDED HOTEL OPTIONS:

Comfort Inn and Suites
1949 North 9th
785-502-8007
Rate is \$101 for each room suite or
standard
Includes Breakfast
Cut Off for the room rate is April 1, 2023

**Holiday Inn Express (undergoing some
construction)**
755 West Diamond Drive (I-70 and north
9th street)
785-404-3300
Rate is \$129.99
Includes Breakfast
Cut off for the room rate is March 16,
2023



**KPATA 2023
Conference
Hotel Info.**

Hilton Garden Inn
3320 South 9th Steet
785-309-0440
Rate is \$112 (online code KPAT)
Cut off for this rate will be March 13,
2023

**CANT
WAIT**

***Remember to mention TAX EXEMPT**

If you need assistance please contact Amanda Winch at awinch@kpata.org

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Please join us!

KPATA DINNER
SOCIAL

Martinelli's Little Italy
Monday, April 17th 6pm - 8pm
158 S Santa Fe Ave, Salina, KS 67401

Classic family style meal which will
include (at each table):
fresh salad, alfredo pasta with
chicken, red meat sauce with pasta,
and dessert

*GLUTEN free option is available

COST: \$20/per person (this includes
dinner, tax and tip)
Drinks will also be available for
purchase individually.

RSVP

Please complete here:
<https://kpata.wufoo.com/forms/2023-kpata-social-rsvp/>



Transportation Options

EASY AND AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS
BEST CAB COMPANY

BEST CAB SALINA IS A TAXI SERVICE SERVING SALINA
KS AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS.
FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL US AT (785)827-
7433

UBER/LYFT UBER.COM LYFT.COM OR APP

RSVP TO JOIN US HERE



FFPSA GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE KPATA BRIGHT FUTURES PROGRAM WILL CONTINUE TO PARTNER WITH DCF AS A RECIPIENT OF THE FFPSA GRANT FOR FY24! A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE KANSAS PAT PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE BRIGHT FUTURES SERVICES TO FAMILIES IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND HELP TO MAKE THIS PROGRAM A SUCCESS! WATCH THE UPDATE BELOW.



**BRIGHT FUTURES PAT =
FAMILY FIRST SUCCESS!**



*Positive Impact
on Kansas
Families*

*Strengths
Based Services*

*Parent
Skill
Building*

Changing Lives



BEHAVIOR CHECKER®

We at Kansas Parents as Teachers Association (KPATA) have recently launched Behavior Checker, a tool designed to help parents and caregivers prevent toxic stress and build safe, stable, and nurturing relationships with their children. We are seeking feedback on Parent Educators' impressions and use (or potential use) of the tool via a **5-10 minute survey**. Results from the survey will be summarized and shared at the annual KPATA conference in April 2023 and will also inform improvements to Behavior Checker. Please consider taking the survey to help us understand if/how you would like to use this tool in your work as a Parent Educator.

Additionally, if you are interested in providing further feedback on Behavior Checker via an online focus group (1 hour sessions offered in late March, \$20 gift card to participants), please [click here to provide your contact information](#).

[Click here](#) for more information on the evaluation of Behavior Checker.

TAKE THE BEHAVIOR
CHECKER SURVEY HERE
BY FRIDAY MARCH 10TH:
[HTTPS://Z.UMN.EDU/BEH
AVIOR-CHECKER-KPATA](https://z.umn.edu/behavior-checker-kpata)



**PURCHASE YOUR OFFICIAL
BEHAVIOR CHECKER T-SHIRT
HERE AND HELP US SPREAD THE
WORD**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE KPATA BOARD?



WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE EFFORTS THAT HAVE KEPT PAT PROGRAMS ALIVE AND FUNDED FOR THE PAST 20+ YEARS?

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD BE INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH OUR BOARD? CONSIDER YOUR EARLY CHILDHOOD PARTNERS, YOUR ENGAGED PAST AND PRESENT FAMILIES, MEMBERS OF YOUR ADVISORY BOARD---DIVERSIFYING THE BOARD MAKE-UP BROADENS KPATA'S VISION AND SCOPE!

SOME FACTS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO CONSIDER:

- 1. WE MEET MONTHLY ON THE THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH VIRTUALLY FROM 12-2PM.**
- 2. WE ASK THAT ALL BOARD MEMBERS JOIN A COMMITTEE. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS ARE AUTOMATICALLY PART OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE AND THE TREASURER IS THE CHAIR OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.**
- 3. WE HAVE A FISCAL MANAGER THAT DOES OUR BOOKS AND WE HAVE AN ACCOUNTING FIRM THEY WORK WITH FOR OUR ANNUAL AUDIT.**
- 4. WE DO ASK THAT BOARD MEMBERS GIVE A FINANCIAL GIFT TO KPATA THAT IS MEANINGFUL TO THEM.**
- 5. TERMS ARE 2 YEARS. ELECTED IN APRIL BY NOMINATING SLATE AND TERM STARTS IN JULY. THE PRESIDENT ELECT POSITION TERM WOULD BE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CURRENT TERM (A YEAR AND HALF), THEN SERVE AS PRESIDENT FOR 2 YEARS AND THEN AS PAST-PRESIDENT FOR 2 YEARS.**

UPCOMING TRAININGS

LUNCH & LEARN
MARCH 30TH
12:00PM-1:00PM
REGISTER HERE

KANSAS PARENTS AS TEACHERS VIRTUAL

Lunch & Learn

Pack your lunch and join us for a conversation with colleagues about:

Engaging Diverse Communities in PAT services...

- Parent Educator Panel
- Approaching families with respect of their culture norms
- Event & Recruiting Supports

March 30th

12:00 - 1:00

REGISTER IN ADVANCE BY CLICKING
THE LINK BELOW:
[ZOOM REGISTRATION](#)

Child Abuse & Neglect

MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING

KPATA IS PLEASED TO HOST A VIRTUAL TRAINING MODULE

APRIL 20th 1:00 - 2:00

ADRIANNE RALSTON

Kansas Children's Service League



Details of Training:

Child Abuse and Neglect: Recognition, Reporting & Supporting

Kansas law states that most professionals who work with children, including medical professionals, social workers, nurses, educators and others, are mandated reporters and are required by law to report suspicion of child abuse or neglect. This presentation will address areas of risk and protective factors, definitions of child abuse and neglect per Kansas law and provide examples of signs and symptoms. Participants will also learn the appropriate responses to suspected abuse or neglect, discuss what to do in the event of child disclosure and understand Kansas mandated reporter laws. This training is approved by KDHE for 1.0 child care licensing hours.

REGISTER HERE:

[HTTPS://US06WEB.ZOOM.US/MEETING/REGISTER/TZIQFUCSPZOPHNQTYUFJMMMLY4EYMQHTY-JX](https://us06web.zoom.us/join/REGISTER/TZIQFUCSPZOPHNQTYUFJMMMLY4EYMQHTY-JX)

CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT
APRIL 20TH
1:00PM - 2:00PM
REGISTER HERE

UPCOMING TRAININGS

MAY 4TH
1:00PM - 2:30PM
DETAILS ON REGISTRATION COMING SOON!



 **kpata**
KANSAS PARENTS AS TEACHERS
KPATA VIRTUAL TRAINING SESSION
with Karen Howard

 **Crossover Partners**

RACIAL EQUITY AWARENESS & PRACTICES

FREE FOR KPATA MEMBERS

THIS TRAINING HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FROM FEBRUARY TO
MAY 4th from 1:00 - 2:30 pm
Please watch for the registration link to come out soon!

In order to attend the May Racial Equity training, we will need you to complete this survey here:
<https://kpata.wufoo.com/forms/kpata-racial-equity-questionnaire/>



**THANK YOU
SO MUCH**



TAKE THE SURVEY HERE

2022-2023 TRAINING CALENDAR

TRAINING SCHEDULE

PARENT EDUCATORS AND COORDINATORS
KPATA BRIGHT FUTURES 2022-23

JULY

podcast

PRACTICE SELF-COMPASSION

7/28 1:00-2:30 PM

AUGUST

Teeth for Two - Oral Health Coalition -

8/18 PAOLA, KS
9/15 HUTCHINSON, KS

SEPTEMBER

BREASTFEEDING & MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH

- KS BREASTFEEDING
COALITION -
9/22 1:00-2:30 PM

OCTOBER

Postpartum Depression

- Next Steps After
Screening -

10/20 1:00-2:30 PM

NOVEMBER

ACES TRAINING - KCSL -

11/17 1:00-3:00 PM

DECEMBER

POSITIVE SUPPORTS Impact On Family Well-Being

12/15 1:00-3:00 PM

JANUARY

ORAL HEALTH

1/19 1:00-2:30 PM

~~FEBRUARY~~ POSTPONED
TO MAY

Racial Equity A FOUNDATION OF UNDERSTANDING

5/4 1:00-2:30PM

MARCH

Domestic Violence

- IMPACT ON YOUTH -

3/2 1:00-5:00 PM

APRIL

Child Abuse & Neglect

KCSL

4/20 1:00-3:00 PM

MAY

Substance Use Disorder

Supporting
Families

5/17 1:00-2:30PM

JUNE

No Training
This Month

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PARENT EDUCATORS IN KANSAS!



GREENBUSH PARENTS AS TEACHERS IS HIRING!

We have Parent Educator openings in:

- Labette County
- Allen/Woodson County

Scan to apply online



Apply Online at:

<https://greenbush.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>

Contact Sandy Elsworth for more information at
sandy.elsworth@greenbush.org



Parent Educator

- Part or Full time
- Concordia & Republic County area, Kansas
- Qualifications: Associates degree or higher in Early Childhood, Education, Family Studies or related field of study from an accredited college or university (Bachelor's degree preferred)
- Competitive salary with benefits including paid sick/personal leave, holidays & Kansas Public Employee Retirement System (KPERS)

WE ARE HIRING

Apply at www.usd333.com

›District ›Employment

email: parentsasteachers@usd333.com

or call 785-243-0959 with questions



FREE DENTAL SERVICES THROUGH KMOM!

FREE DENTAL SERVICES!!

KMOM 2023 TOPEKA



March 24-25 **Clinic Doors Open At 5:30 am**

Stormont Vail Events Center
1 Expocentre Drive • Topeka, Kansas

No Appointments • First Come, First Served
Children and Adults

PATIENT INFORMATION

- Continue taking any prescription medications as directed and bring them along so a dose is not missed.
- Bring a list of current medications, allergies, and health conditions.
- No eligibility, income, or residency requirements needed.
- Services include cleanings, fillings, and extractionsNO dentures. **Children can be scheduled at <https://KMOMKIDS.as.me/>**
- Hundreds of patients will be treated each day so be prepared to wait several hours.
- Breakfast and lunch will be provided at no charge, but bring snacks and water.

A project of



Kansas Dental Charitable Foundation



KANSAS DENTAL ASSOCIATION



Kansas Mission of Mercy
Making a Difference

For KMOM clinic updates during the event, go to the KMOM Facebook page or www.ksdentalfoundation.org

SERVICIOS DENTALES GRATUITOS!!

KMOM 2023 TOPEKA



24 y 25 de Marzo **Las puertas se abrirán a las 5:30 am**

Stormont Vail Events Center
1 Expocentre Drive • Topeka, Kansas

No hay citas - primero llegado, primero servido
Niños y Adultos

INFORMACIÓN PARA EL PACIENTE:

- Siga tomando algún medicamento recetado como se indica y traerlos por lo que una dosis no es olvidada.
- Lleve una lista de medicamentos, alergias y problemas de salud actuales.
- No hay requisitos de elegibilidad, ingresos o residencia.
- Los servicios incluyen limpiezas, empastes (rellenos) y extracciones...sin dentaduras postizas. **Se puede apuntar cita para los niños a <https://KMOMKIDS.as.me/>**
- Cientos de pacientes serán tratados cada día, así que prepárese para esperar.
- El desayuno y el almuerzo se proporcionarán a los pacientes sin cargo. Lleva bocadillos y agua.

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Para las actualizaciones de la clinica, visite el facebook de KMOM durante el evento.

CHILDREN CAN BE SCHEDULED HERE

WE WANT TO KNOW...

HAVE YOU HAD SUCCESS IN USING THE INSTITUTE'S CORE COMPETENCY FRAMEWORK? IF SO, WE WOULD LOVE IT IF YOU WOULD SHARE YOUR STORY WITH US!

PLEASE CONTACT CALLIE HOFFMAN AT CHOFFMAN@KPATA.ORG

WHAT HAS KPATA DONE FOR YOU?

PAT'S VOICE ON GOVERNOR KELLY'S TASK FORCE

Monica Murnan, KPATA Board of Directors member and Director of Community Support Services for the Greenbush Education Service Center, has been appointed along with 17 others from across Kansas to Governor Kelly's Early Childhood Transition Task Force. This bipartisan group will review the state's early childhood care and education system and develop a roadmap for the creation of a cabinet-level agency dedicated to supporting our youngest Kansans. "By establishing the Early Childhood Task Force, Governor Kelly has placed Kansas on the leading edge of a national conversation about early childhood system governance," said Dr. Javaid Siddiqi, President and CEO of the Hunt Institute, the task force's convener and policy and research expert. Congratulations and thank you to Monica!

DON'T FORGET



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

ALL MEMBERS MEETING

Tuesday April 18th, 2023
1pm - 2pm

Webster Conference Center
Salina, KS

see you soon!

kpata.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

- 17TH - KPATA BOARD MEETING
- 30TH - KPATA LUNCH & LEARN

APRIL

- 17TH & 18TH - KPATA CONFERENCE
- 20TH - CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT TRAINING
- 21ST - KPATA BOARD MEETING