



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HEAD START RESEARCH AND EVALUATION

June 7-8, 2011

The Madison Hotel | 1177 15th St. NW, Washington, DC 20005

AGENDA

Parent, Family, and Community Engagement: What Does the Research Tell Us About Effective Strategies for Engaging and Supporting Head Start Families?

DAY ONE: TUESDAY, JUNE 7

8:30-9:15 **Welcome and Reviewing Reports Thus Far**

9:15-10:45 **Head Start Today: Parent and Family Engagement; Characteristics of Head Start Families and Family Engagement Staff**

Presenters:

Amanda Bryans, Office of Head Start: Head Start Today

Louisa Tarullo, Mathematica Policy Research: Additional Characteristics of HS Families and Family Engagement Staff

Rachel Chazan Cohen, OPRE: Characteristics of EHS Families and Family Engagement and Home Visiting Staff

Marty Zaslow, Committee Member: Impacts on Families and Parents

Discussion

10:45-11:00 **Break**

11:00 – 12:15 **Defining Parent and Family Engagement**

Presenters:

Toni Porter, Bank Street College of Education: Elements of Program-Parent Relationships Associated with Long-Term Family and Child Outcomes

Josh Sparrow, Committee Member: Relationships—At the Heart of Family Engagement

Heather Weiss, Committee Member: School-Based Models of Parent Engagement

12:15-12:45 **Gather Lunch**

12:45-1:45 **Committee Discussion**



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1:45- 2:45 **Positive Parent-Child Relationships/Parents as First and Lifelong Educators in the Home and in Supporting Head Start Learning Strategies**

Presenters:

Anne Duggan, Johns Hopkins University: Lessons from Home Visiting Models

Vivian Gadsden, University of Pennsylvania: The Family Engagement Transaction

2:45-3:00 **Break**

3:00-5:00 **Discussion and Recommendations**

Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, Committee Member: Programs for Parents Focused on Post Secondary Education

DAY TWO: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

8:30-9:00 **Committee Report and Discussion**

9:00-10:15 **Family Well Being: What do programs do on Monday morning to help families deal with challenges to and goals for well-being?**

Presenters:

Carl Dunst, Orelena Hawks Puckett Institute: Synthesis of Literature in Family Well-Being

Cathy Ayoub, Harvard Medical School, Brazelton Touchpoints Center & Family Connections Project OHS National Center for Parent, Family, Community Engagement: Programs for Parents with Depressive Symptoms and Supports for Children

10:15-10:30 **Break**

10:30-11:15 **Discussion**

11:15-12:15 **Preparing the Family Engagement Professional**

Presenters:

Josh Sparrow, Committee Member: Professional Development to Support Positive Relationships

Lori Roggman, Utah State University: Competencies and Preparation of Home Visiting Professionals

Jerlean Daniel, Committee Member: Competencies and Preparation of Family Engagement Professionals



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12:45-1:30 **Discussion about Preparing the Family Engagement Professional**

1:30-1:45 **Break**

1:45-2:45 **Considering Parent and Family Engagement Through a Cultural Lens**

Presenters:

Paul Spicer, University of Oklahoma: Parent and Family Engagement in American Indian and Alaskan Native Cultures

Kyle Pruett, Yale University: Working with Hispanic Fathers

Christine McWayne, Tufts University: Parent and Family Engagement in Hispanic Cultures

2:45-4:00 **Committee Recommendations Considering Cultural Diversity: Parent Engagement**

4:00-5:00 **Where To Go Next as a Committee?**