



Health Policy Roundtable
in partnership with the Keystone Center
February 25-26, 2014
Washington, DC

Meeting Goals

- Explore the leading edge of early childhood health policy across the 0-8 age spectrum:
 - What are good policies, and how can they be scaled and spread to other states?
 - What are the gaps? What is missing, and how can we address the gaps?
 - What are good leverage points and innovative ways to advance strong, effective advocacy strategies?
 - What policies and data measures matter in terms of impact and outcomes?
- Identify opportunities to promote health equity and show progress.
- Gather input for the Alliance for Early Success to use in partnering to promote healthy early childhood development.

Day 1 – Tuesday, February 25, 2014

Location: Kalorama Room, The Churchill Embassy Row
1914 Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, DC

4:30 Registration

5:00 p.m. Welcome, Meeting Overview and introductions

Opening: Lisa Klein and Steffanie Clothier, Alliance for Early Success
Meeting overview and Introductions: Lorez Meinhold, Keystone Center

6:00 p.m. Building a Healthier America

Hear about the new recommendations from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Commission to “invest in the foundations of lifelong physical and mental well-being in our youngest children.”

Speaker: Kristin Schubert, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

6:20 p.m. Laying the Groundwork
This opening session will provide a brief look at the social determinants of children's health and health equity as a lens for the meeting.
Facilitator: Lorez Meinhold, Keystone Center
Speaker: Charlie Bruner, Child and Family Policy Center and BUILD

7:00 p.m. Adjourn and walk to restaurant

7:15 p.m. Dinner: Bistro Bistro: 1727 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC
Enjoy dinner and take advantage of the opportunity for table discussions.

Table Question: What are you working on related to child health policy?

Day 2 – Wednesday, February 26, 2014

Location: FHI 360 Conference Center
1825 Connecticut Ave. NW, 8th Floor, Washington, DC

7:30 a.m. Full breakfast

8:00 a.m. Getting Started: Ground Rules and Tools
The morning will begin with a discussion of ground rules and an introduction to the interactive technology that will be used during the meeting.
Facilitator: Lorez Meinhold, Keystone Center

8:30 a.m. Exploration of Key Topics: Round 1
Experts will set the stage with provocative ideas on the following two topics.

Screening and Then What? – What follows screening for young children who need supports and services?

Speaker: Paul Dworkin, Connecticut Children's Medical Center

Maternal Mental Health – What opportunities does the ACA provide to help states better address maternal mental health needs?

Speaker: Olivia Golden, Center for Law and Social Policy

9:15 a.m. Small Group Discussions
Participants will select one of the two topics and divide into smaller groups for deeper conversations. Table Experts:

Screening and Then What?

Table 1: *Karen Peifer, AZ First Things First, and Amy Fine, Center for the Study of Social Policy*

Table 2: *Paul Dworkin, CT Children's Medical Center, and Debbie Chang, Nemours*

Maternal Mental Health

Table 1: *Olivia Golden, Center for Law and Social Policy*

Table 2: *Sheila Smith, National Center for Children in Poverty, and Jill Rosenthal, National Academy for State Health Policy*

Discussion Questions:

- What are the key policy ideas, challenges and solutions?
- What are the measures that matter and how will we know if we are successful?

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 Exploration of Topics: Round 2

Experts will set the stage with provocative ideas on the following two topics.

Coverage – What opportunities does ACA provide, and what are the implications for eligibility and coverage?

Speaker: Donna Cohen Ross, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Early Childhood Mental Health – How are states providing mental health support for young children?

Speaker: Cindy Oser, Zero to Three

11:15 Small Group Discussions

Participants will select one of the two topics and divide into smaller groups for deeper conversations. Table Experts:

Coverage

Table 1: *Jill Rosenthal, National Academy for State Health Policy, and Wes Prater, Georgetown Center on Children and Families*

Table 2: *Donna Cohen Ross, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid, and Hannah Matthews, Center for Law and Social Policy*

Early Childhood Mental Health

Table 1: *Cindy Oser, Zero to Three*

Table 2: *Ann Rosewater, Healthy Readers, Grade Level Reading Campaign, and Denise Dell Isola, Irving Harris Foundation*

Discussion Questions:

- What are the key policy ideas, challenges and solutions?
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12:15 p.m. Lunch and Networking

1:15 p.m. Report-outs and Discussion

Brief summaries from the small group discussion will be presented, followed by a full group discussion to clarify or add to the summaries.

Lorez Meinhold and Leslie Cowell, Keystone Center

Steffanie Clothier and Helene Stebbins, Alliance for Early Success

2:15 p.m. Word Cloud Activity & Break

The group will do a short exercise to gauge interest in the topics discussed during the morning. Focus: In 1-3 words, what issue/ topic excites you most?

2:30 p.m. “Social Capital” – Connecting Health and Early Childhood

Social capital refers to the collective value of social networks, and the value they provide in helping families, communities, and societies to thrive. How can we and should we think about social capital in connecting health policy and early childhood development?

Introduction: Steffanie Clothier, Alliance for Early Success

Speaker: David Willis, Health Resources and Services Administration

3:15 p.m. Group Discussion: Feedback on Policy Topics and What’s Missing?

The meeting focused on a number of topics and new thinking. What other topics are important to discuss in future settings that were not discussed today?

Moderator: Lorez Meinhold, Keystone Center

3:30 p.m. Moving Forward

Discussion Questions:

- How do we want to continue the conversation?
- What support do state and national organizations need beyond this meeting?

Closing remarks: Lisa Klein and Steffanie Clothier, Alliance for Early Success

4:00 p.m. Adjourn