
TEXAS EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT: FINDINGS, POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND PROMISING SERVICE MODELS

Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, University of Texas at Austin
Monday, October 29, 2012

- 8:30-9:00 ***Registration and Continental Breakfast -- Lady Bird Foyer***
- 9:00-9:30 Welcome -- Bass Lecture Hall
- Dean Robert Hutchings***, LBJ School of Public Affairs, University of Texas
- John Gasko***, Director of State Initiatives, Children's Learning Institute, UT Health Sciences Center; past Chair of Texas Early Learning Council
- Overview of the Day
- Deanna Schexnayder***: Assistant Dean, LBJ School of Public Affairs, and Senior Research Scientist Ray Marshall Center for the Study of Human Resources
- 9:30 -11:00 Texas Early Childhood Education Assessment Findings and Policy Implications
- Deanna Schexnayder***, Principal Investigator of Texas ECEA
- Steve Murdock***, Director, and ***Michael Cline***, Associate Director, Hobby Center for the Study of Texas, Rice University and Co-Principal Investigator of Texas ECEA
- 11:00-11:30 Emerging Findings From the National Survey of Early Care and Education
- Richard Brandon***, retired Director, Human Services Policy Center, University of Washington and Co-Principal Investigator, National Survey of Early Care and Education
- 11:45-1:30 Lunch and Discussion: Thoughts on ECEA Results -- Main LBJ Lobby
- Moderator: Christopher King**, Director, Ray Marshall Center
- Bill Hammond***, President, Texas Association of Business
- Carlos Rivera***, Director of Health and Human Services, City of Austin
- J. Lee Kreader***, Deputy Director, National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University

Description of Afternoon Sessions: Deanna Schexnayder

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

Promising Approaches for Improving Services for Young Children and Their Families

1:45-2:45 Session A: Bass Lecture Hall

Texas Family Child Care Home Project

Susan Landry, Director, Children's Learning Institute, University of Texas Health Science Center, Houston

Discussant – *Richard Brandon*

Session B: LBJ School Distance Education Center

Perspectives from Other States

Moderator: *Deanna Schexnayder*

Lee Kreader, NCCP, Columbia University and New York State Early Childhood Advisory Council

Roberta Weber, Oregon State University and Oregon Early Learning Council

Reggie Bicha, Colorado Department of Human Services

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

3:00-4:00 Session A: Bass Lecture Hall

Investing in Children and Parents: Fostering Two-Generation Strategies in the United States - *Christopher King*, Director and Senior Research Scientist Ray Marshall Center

Texas Home Visiting Programs - *Cynthia Osborne* Associate Professor, LBJ School of Public Affairs

Discussant: *Elizabeth Gershoff*, Associate Professor, School of Human Ecology, University of Texas at Austin

Session B: LBJ School Distance Education Center

Early Childhood Data 3.0: Transforming Texas Communities

Helen DuPlessis, Senior Advisor, UCLA Center for Healthier Children, Families, and Communities

Discussant: *Don Titcombe*, Manager, Texas Early Learning Council, Children's Learning Institute, UT Health Sciences Center