



**MARCH 16-17, 2021**  
2021 Learning & Leadership  
Virtual Summit

## Workshop Details

### Day 1, March 16, 2021

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

***Prioritizing Upstream Prevention Policies*** Catherine Joyner, MSW, Executive Director, Child Maltreatment Prevention Leadership Team, Essentials for Childhood, Division of Public Health, Women's and Children's Health Section NC Department of Health and Human Services, Sharon Hirsch, President & CEO, Prevent Child Abuse NC, Melea Rose Waters, MSW, Policy Director, Prevent Child Abuse NC

When we invest upstream in public policies that build strong families and safe communities, we are securing the safe, stable, and nurturing environments all children deserve. Success in school and increased graduation rates lead to healthier, more productive future employees and ultimately reduce costs in our social services, criminal justice, educational, and health care systems. In this workshop we will share information about policies that are proven to prevent child maltreatment and talk about the ways we can all advocate for prevention policies at the federal, state, county, and organizational levels.

***Local Collaboration in Action: Durham's Early Childhood Action Plan*** David Reese, President and Chief Executive Officer, Durham Children's Initiative, Joy Lampkin Foster, Racial Equity Advisor and Facilitator and Doula, Cate Elander, Early Childhood Coordinator, Durham County Cooperative Extension, Dr. Wanda Boone, Founder and Executive Director, Durham Together for Resilient Youth

Families, communities, and providers from across Durham County have come together to create shared goals, strategies, and action plans to create a more aligned, sustainable, and equitable early childhood system in Durham focused on prevention. This collaborative, county-wide planning effort will result in Durham's own Early Childhood Action Plan (ECAP) based on the statewide ECAP released in 2019 by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services. Join us to learn about local financing and collaboration to customize prevention action planning to your local context.

2:00 - 3:00 pm

***Provide Hope: Strengthening and Connecting Families, Congregations and Communities—Faith Leadership Panel Discussion*** Dr. Dawn Baldwin Gibson, Peletah Ministries and P.A.C.E. School, Reverend Clifford Barnett, Warner Temple AME Zion, Reverend Darren Crofts, Smith Grove UMC, Howard Loughlin, Retired Board-Certified Child Abuse Pediatrician, Megan Cooper, Mental Health Professional, Kylie Foley, IEI Rural Church, Emma Baltezare, One Christian Network, and Reverend Jessica Stokes, NC Council of Churches

Please join NC Faith and Community Leaders from across the state to discover the creative ways they are providing upstream approaches to strengthen and connect their families, congregations and communities during these times. From developing Resilience Ministries, creating Youth Resilience Curriculum, connecting to with your local schools, providing COVID vaccination sites, uniting efforts to provide concrete supports you receive insight to how you might implement these in your communities.

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2:00 - 3:00 pm (cont'd)

### *Resilience-Building Strategies for Schools and Programs Working With Students*

**Elizabeth DeKonty, MSW**, Director, NC Resilience & Learning Project, **Katie Rosanbalm, PhD**, Center for Child & Family Policy, Duke University

With a growing awareness and knowledge of ACEs and trauma across sectors, it is important to take the next step and begin thinking about trauma-informed strategies to generate change. This session will provide specific resilience-building strategies for working with children and youth that promote positive development and long-term well-being, even in the face of ACEs and trauma. We will consider approaches that can be applied to individual classrooms, whole schools, or to other programs working with students that will help to create safe spaces, foster positive climate, strengthen relationships, build self-regulation skills, and support families.

## Day 2, March 17, 2021

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

*Preventing Secondary Traumatic Stress: Strategies for Pandemic Times* **Jan Williams**, Duke Center for Child and Family Health, **Cheri Coleman, MSW**, Center for Child & Family Policy, Duke University

Working with children and families, particularly those who have experienced trauma, can be challenging, as well as rewarding. This is true for mental health and health care professionals, home visitors, child protective services and court personnel. With the presence of new stressors including COVID-19 and increased awareness of racism and social injustice, providers are experiencing much higher levels of personal and professional stress and distress. These unique times and events are impacting *everyone*. This interactive workshop will provide participants with skills to reduce your risk for STS and better support the families you serve.

*Equity as a Tool for Prevention* **Patty Oji**, Alpha People & Project Solutions -Leadership Development

Resilient communities empower all persons to thrive. Front line advocates are essential in making thriving communities a reality. The charge is more urgent than ever as communities are increasingly complex, and so are the challenges they face. In this session, participants will explore how building equity is an essential lever to advance thriving communities for all people. Participants will walk away with increased understanding and strategies to put equity into action.

2:00 - 3:00 pm

*Promoting Resilience with the Latin@ Community* **Ennis C. Baker, MSW**, LCSW, ITTI Care Project Director, **Sheila Arias**, MomsRising

With an emphasis on the importance of “nothing for us, without us” we will share what we know about ACEs and stress in the Latin@ community in North Carolina and challenge our audience members to build trust and strengthen connections with Latin@ immigrants to promote community resilience. We will provide guidance and or options for the audience to connect with statewide organizations, grassroots groups, individuals that are providing effective culturally-attuned leadership and advocacy. We will highlight the crucial role of the census, faith communities, home visiting, NCPReK, Head Start/Early Head Start and early intervention services to the health of Latin@ families in NC. We will urge all participants to join MamásConPoder/MomsRising and La Mesita Network to stay connected and continue to learn.

*Help, I Need Data!* **Mandy Ableidinger**, Deputy Director, NC Early Childhood Foundation, **Hayley Young, MPH**, Data Office Director, NCDHHS, **Dani Schenk**, Data and Evaluation Director, Prevent Child Abuse NC, and **Murat Yazan**, Evaluator for Region A Partnership for Children

This workshop will highlight early childhood prevention data that agencies can use at the local level and help participants understand how to access it, what it means, and how to use it. Have you wondered what early childhood prevention data you have available to you? Have you found early childhood prevention data but are not sure how you can use it? Do you want to hear from someone who has used this data to make an impact in their community? Then this workshop is for you!