

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 26, 2009

1–6 p.m. Conference Registration

Monday, April 27, 2009

7 a.m.–6 p.m. Conference Registration

8 a.m.–5 p.m. Super Grantee Meeting

8 a.m.–Noon

Training Seminars

Positive Guidance Strategies to Support Children with Challenging Behaviors

Scaffolding for the Academic Success of Pre-School ELLs: Supporting the Needs of ELL (Parents Session)

9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Training Seminars

Strengthening Families through Early Care and Education

Bridging Teaching with Learning: Instructional Assessment in Head Start

9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Pre-conference: Special Tracks

9 a.m.–5p.m.

Board of Directors Meeting

Noon–1 p.m.

Board of Directors Luncheon

1 p.m.–5 p.m.

Training Seminar

Cultural Diversity and Family Engagement...The Price of Silence

8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

CPR Training for Head Start

9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Grassroots Action Room

9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Pre-conference: Special Tracks

1–3 p.m.

Regional Meetings

1–5 p.m.

Training Seminars

Alternative Strategies for Challenging Behaviors

Preschool Vision Screening: More than Checking the Box on Your Must-Do-Within-45-Days List

Creating Strong Father Involvement

Strengthening Parent Involvement in Head start

4:30–6 p.m.

State and Regional Presidents Meeting

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

7 a.m.–6 p.m.

Conference Registration

9–10 a.m.

Quality Initiative Awards

9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Grassroots Action Room

9–10:30 a.m.

Educational Sessions

9–10:30 a.m.

Focus Forum: *Diverse Children, Diverse Needs: Serving Head Start's Unique Population*

9–Noon

Training Seminar

Managing Organizational Change

9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Training Seminar

Thinking Outside the Box: SOLAR — An Innovative Approach to Professional Development Planning

11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Educational Sessions

11 a.m.–5 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Open

Noon–2 p.m.

Research Luncheon

2–3:30 p.m.

Educational Sessions

5–7 p.m.

Conference “Opening” General Session *Beyond the Boundaries: New Approaches and New Strategies*

7–8:30 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Opening Reception

Tuesday, April 28, 2009

7 a.m.–6 p.m. Conference Registration

8 a.m.–Noon

Training Seminars

The Resilient Educator: Energizing Head Start Teachers

Fathering America's Future: Establishing Father Involvement

Positive Discipline (9 a.m.–Noon)

9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Training Seminars

Creating a Nourishing Environment to Promote a Family of Readers

Scaffolding for the Academic Success of Pre-School ELLs: Supporting the Needs of ELL (*Directors and Head Start Staff Session*)

Picturing This...The Arts and Family Literacy — A Head Start on Picturing America

Effective Practices for Including Young Children with Disabilities

Fire and Safety Program

Thursday, April 30, 2009

7 a.m.–4 p.m.

Conference Registration

8 a.m.–9:30 a.m.

Grassroots Research Breakfast

9 a.m.–1 p.m.

Training Seminar

Effective Classroom Strategies for Including All Children in Head Start

9 a.m.–3 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Open
9 a.m.–5 p.m.	Grassroots Action Room
9–10:30 a.m.	Educational Sessions
11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	Educational Sessions
11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	<i>Head Start State Collaboration Office and State Head Start Association Partnerships: New Directions with Carmen Bovell, Ph.D., Senior Advisor on State Collaboration, Office of Head Start</i>
2–3:30 p.m.	Educational Sessions
2–4 p.m.	<i>National Academies of Science Report on Developmental Outcomes and Assessments for Children Aged 0 to 5</i>
4:30–5:30 p.m.	NHSA General Business Meeting (Open to all attendees)
7–11 p.m.	<i>Special Event: Celebrating Head Start Children, Over 25 Million Served!</i>

Friday, May 1, 2009

7 a.m.–2 p.m.	Conference Registration
8–9:30 a.m.	Scholarship and Awards Breakfast
9 a.m.–4 p.m.	Training Seminar A Day in the Life of a Preschool: Joyfully Weaving Best Practices from Circle Time to Good-Bye
9–11:30 a.m.	Research Plenary Session
9 a.m.–Noon	Grassroots Action Room
9–10:30 a.m.	Educational Sessions
9 a.m.–Noon	Exhibit Hall Open
11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	Educational Sessions
Noon–2 p.m.	Legislative Luncheon
2–3:30 p.m.	Educational Sessions
2–3:30 p.m.	Head Start Directors Networking Event
2–4 p.m.	<i>Federal Early Education Initiatives: First 100 Days and Beyond with Congresswoman Mazie Hirono, Libby Doggett, Ph.D., and Marquita Furness Davis, Ph.D.</i>
2–4 p.m.	Research Poster Session
4–6 p.m.	Conference Evaluation and Certificate Distribution

Saturday, May 2, 2009

8–9:30 a.m.	Educational Sessions
8 a.m.–1 p.m.	Conference Evaluation and Certificate Distribution
10 a.m.–Noon	Closing General Session

GENERAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Who Should Attend?

NHSA's Annual Training Conference is designed to help individuals across many disciplines, roles, and skill levels who want to improve their service delivery to children and families.

Attendees will have a chance to...

- Expand their knowledge in critical areas such as program management, fiscal management, partnerships and collaborations, human resources, family services, assessment, using child outcomes data, legal issues, and Head Start regulations.
- Learn more about child development, classroom practices, program governance, parental involvement, father and male involvement, early literacy development, addressing challenging behaviors, health and nutrition, kindergarten transitions, child outcomes, transportation services, autism and other special needs, oral health, working with English Language Learners, Head Start 101, and so much more!

Translation Services

Spanish interpretation will be provided for many of the sessions. Please be sure to indicate on the registration form if interpretation is needed.

Special Events

Quality Initiative Awards

Wednesday, April 29 • 9–10 a.m.

The National Head Start Association's Quality Initiative is the only recognition program dedicated exclusively to identifying and recognizing Head Start programs whose services positively affect the lives of the children and families they serve. Join us as we celebrate the outstanding accomplishments of the Quality Initiative 2009 award recipients.

Space is limited!

A continental breakfast will be served.

Research and Evaluation

Beyond the Boundaries with Research

Join the National Head Start Association's Research and Evaluation team for the following key participant-centered research events!

Research Luncheon

Wednesday, April 29 • Noon–2 p.m.

ABCs, Friendship Skills, and Engaged Learning: Promoting Holistic School Readiness with REDI (Research-based, Developmentally-Informed) Strategies.

Speaker: Karen L. Bierman, Ph.D. Distinguished Professor of Psychology, The Pennsylvania State University

Tickets: \$75

Grassroots Research Breakfast

Thursday, April 30 • 8–9:30 a.m.

Developing the Early Childhood Teacher Workforce

Speaker: Richard Lambert, Ph.D., Ed.S. University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Tickets: \$45

Research Plenary and Poster Session

Friday, May 1 • 9-10:30 a.m. and 2–4 p.m.