NJ EARLY INTERVENTION WEEK 2024!

BUILDING BLOCKS FOR BRIGHT FUTURES: START STRONG AND THRIVE TOGETHER!

VIRTUAL EVENTS Zoom link will be sent to those that register

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12:00 pm: Success with Virtual EI **6:00 pm:** Transition out of EI

1:00 pm: Resources for Blind
& Visually Impaired Young Children
6:00 pm: Caring for the Caregivers

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1:00 pm: Understanding & Improving Challenging Behavior in Young Children

11:30 am: Zumbini -Music & Movement Virtual Family Fun!

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Success with Virtual El

Facilitated by: Natalie Hackbarth, M.A., CCC-SLP/SLS

Learn about:

- Techniques and approaches for virtual sessions

- Benefits of using virtual Emotional Intelligence (EI)

And hear from families about their experiences and the effectiveness of virtual services

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About:

Natalie Hackbarth is a New Jersey State Licensed and ASHA certified Speech-Language Pathologist/Speech-Language Specialist and the owner of Play All Day Speech Therapy LLC. She has over 10 years of experience providing play and routines-based speech therapy services to young children and their families using a parent coaching and training model.

Natalie is a neuro-diversity affirming provider who focuses on a child's strengths and interests. She is a firm believer that parents and caregivers make the biggest impact on a child's interaction and communication skills and that therapy should be fun and functional. She is passionate about all children receiving effective and quality Early Intervention Services, regardless of whether they are delivered in person or virtually.

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Virtual Presentation: Monday, May 13th 12:00 PM

> Discover the world of **VIRTUAL** El services

Gain insight into remote methods of support for your children

Transition out of El

Transitioning Out of NJ Early Intervention: What You Need to Know

Presented by The NJEIS Family Support Coordinator team





About:

As your child approaches three years old or no longer meets Early Intervention eligibility criteria...

It's time to plan for the next steps.

Transitioning out of El involves:

- Information about options for further services
- Which will meet your child's needs?
- Referral to Public School District
- Eligibility

BIRTH TO THREE

• More acronyms?? IEP, CST, LRE !!!

NJEIS Family Support Coordinators will share a planning handbook with you; walk step-by-step through the process of referring to the school system; and answer your most common 'WHAT IF?' questions.

Together with your Ongoing Service Coordinator, we can help you to plan the stress out of this transition.

Virtual **Presentation:** May 13th at 6:00 pm

SPAN

(Statewide Parent Advocacy Network) will join us to provide additional supports and resources about your **RIGHTS** in the public school system and more!

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Resources for Blind/Visually Impaired Young Children

Maria shares her: *Years of experience in EI & school districts

*Wealth of knowledge for 0-3 and older

*Understanding of the needs of those with multiple disabilities

About:

In this presentation, you'll discover valuable resources for both parents and professionals who have, or work with, children experiencing blindness or visual impairment.

The achievement of infants and toddlers facing visual challenges, or additional disabilities, and their families/caregivers, relies heavily on the implementation of an exceptional program.

Maria Malapoe-Streko and her dedicated team of specialists at St. Joseph's School for the Blind meticulously design customized programs catering to the specific needs of each child in their program. These initiatives aim to facilitate a seamless transition into an appropriate school environment, laying the foundation for future achievements.

Virtual **Presentation:** Tuesday, May 14th at 1:00 PM

Presented by Maria Malapoe-Streko MSW, LSW Director of Early Intervention & In-district Support Services, St. Joseph's School for the Blind



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Caring for the Caregivers: Strategies to Expand Resilience

Jamie will lead us in a variety of experiential practices.

About:

Caregivers, Professionals, interested adults, & teens.

We are all so busy helping and supporting those around us - let's not forget to support ourselves!

With the goal of protecting and strengthening our physical **and mental health**, this session will talk about and show us how to <u>expand</u> <u>our resilience</u>. We will practice several different strategies utilizing yoga, breathing techniques, mindfulness, and more.

Jamie Hanley is a Licensed Professional Counselor who practices through a holistic and intersectional feminist lens. Having experienced how much yoga helped her manage anxiety, Jamie integrates yoga therapy techniques such as mindfulness, breath work, meditation, and guided relaxation with cognitive interventions when supporting clients.

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Virtual Presentation: Tuesday, May 14th at 6:00 PM

> Facilitated by Jamie Hanley

Jamie Hanley has taught 100's of clients how to prioritize their mental health, learn coping skills, & live in alignment with their values.



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Importance of Self-Care, Stress Management and Life Balance

Presented by Nicole Pratt

About:

Prioritizing self-care and the importance of self-care means to care for oneself with compassion. This session will provide individuals with information and resources to engage in daily self-care practices.

Nicole organizes trainings that educate parents and professionals, including teachers, administrators, and community organizations, on an array of both local and national education and health topics. She has a BA in Psychology and a Masters in Teaching. Nicole sits on several New Jersey State, national, and local parent-leader advisory committees/ boards that support/empower families and children. Virtual Presentation: Wednesday, May 15th at 6 PM

Nicole Pratt is the SPAN Parent Advocacy Network PTI-Co-Director, Training Program Director, and LEAD Project Director





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Understanding and Improving Challenging Behavior in Young Children

Presented by Stephanie Flamini, M.S., BCaBA

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About

The behavior of young children is a form of communication. Our understanding of the MEANING of the behavior can help us develop strategies to meet their needs and help them develop new skills.

Participants will learn evidence-based, practical strategies to identify common functions of challenging behavior, ways to prevent behaviors, and strategies to help their child learn new skills during this crucial time in their development.

Presenter, Stephanie Flamini, M.S., BCaBA, is the Training and Technical Assistance Coordinator at the SNJREIC and has close to 20 years of experience in autism and early intervention. She specializes in the dissemination of evidence-based practices related to applied behavior analysis and early relational health. She is inspired by learning ways to support early mental and relational health in young children.

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Virtual Presentation: Thursday, May 16th at 1:00 PM

Learn:

• Functions of behavior

 How to teach coping & communication skills to children to support them through challenging events

• Ways to change the environment to affect behavior

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Zumbini - Music & Movement Virtual Family Fun!

Zumbini with Sarah Viviani

Caregivers, families, children, siblings, EIPs... Let's all have fun together!!

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Zumbini is a diverse, inclusive program that caters to both young children and their caregivers through music and movement.

About:

Outside of Zumbini, Sarah is a Special Educator for families of infants and toddlers with developmental delays through the New Jersey Early Intervention System.

"Educating both caregivers and young children through play is my passion, and Zumbini is the perfect place for that type of learning experience! I'm excited to meet you soon and get your family started on a musical journey!"

Virtual Presentation:F riday, May 17th at 11:30 AM

> Move, Groove and Grow with your little one!

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