



November 16, 2007, 9-10:30 AM  
**Proposed Meeting Agenda**  
North Branch Area Library

❖ Introductions

❖ Open Announcements/Updates/Resource Sharing

- Grant Writing Workshop at the Initiative Foundation, Dec. 11, 2007 choose 8:30 AM-11:30 AM or 1-4 PM, Pre-registration is required. Sally has more details or contact Jolene with questions at: [jhoward@ifound.org](mailto:jhoward@ifound.org).
- “Taking the Maze Out of Funding” information for parents and professionals, presented by Minnesota Children with special Health Needs, November 21, 8:15 AM Registration, 8:30-Noon Training, FREE!! Registration required and only online at [www.health.state.mn.us/mcshn](http://www.health.state.mn.us/mcshn) Sally has additional information.
- Center of Excellence for Children’s Mental Health Lessons from the Field, University of MN:  
February 13, 2008 -8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Dr. Abigail Gewirtz, Family Social Science faculty member at the University of Minnesota and Project Director of the Minnesota Child Response Center, will be leading a workshop on trauma and its impact on attachment.  
March 24, 2008 -8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Dr. Oliver Williams, Director of the Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community and professor in the School of Social Work at the University of Minnesota, will lead a workshop on family violence and cultural influence as they impact the parent-child relationship.  
May 7, 2008 -8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Dr. Miriam Steele, Assistant Director of Clinical Training at The New School for Social Research in New York, will lead a workshop focusing on the intergenerational consequences of attachment as well as issues specific to adoption and foster care.

In addition, an afternoon session will be held on May 7th at the metro site with Dr. Steele. This session will be geared for a smaller audience of clinicians with the opportunity to be more interactive and focus more in-depth on the application of research into practice.

Location for entire series: Great Hall, Coffman Union and broadcast to Greater MN Host Sites  
For questions or more information please contact Ellen Lepinski at 612-625-6527 or [lepin008@umn.edu](mailto:lepin008@umn.edu)  
<<mailto:lepin008@umn.edu>> Registration will be available at [www.cmh.umn.edu](http://www.cmh.umn.edu)  
<<http://www.cmh.umn.edu/>>, later this fall.

- 2008: Minnesota's Birth to Three Conference for Healthy Development; January 31 to February 2, 2008; Duluth Entertainment and Conference Center (DECC), Duluth, MN  
“Turning Challenges into Possibilities: Supporting Families with Young Children” The purpose of this conference is to strengthen the knowledge, skills, strategies, and alliances of those who work with expectant families, infants, toddlers, parents, and communities to build a strong foundation for healthy development. Learn with others from public health, Early Head Start, family and center-based child care, disabilities services, mental health, ECFE, child protection, child abuse prevention, and many more of your colleagues; registration materials available in November. View & share the Save This Date flyer: <http://education.umn.edu/ceed/events/calendar/013108savedate.pdf> For more information, contact Rosemary Caspar at [rcaspar@comcast.net](mailto:rcaspar@comcast.net).

❖ Ready, Set, Go—Kindergarten Readiness event summary

*Thanks to the following coalition members for their part in the event (in alphabetical order): Jeremy Kalin, Kathy Lentz, Kerry Moberg, Pam Pignato, Wendy Walburg, and Lanay Webb. There was great participation in planning, set-up, event facilitation, large group presentation, small group facilitation, and clean-up. Thank you!*

❖ Adding to the coalition: faith community & health care, business, industry & employers:  
Ministerial Association/Kelly  
Health Care/Kelly

- ❖ Community Festivals updates:  
Fall Harvest Days/Vehicle Fair, Saturday Sept. 29 from 10-11 AM: Kathy Blomquist  
Baby Toddler Expo, Saturday, Oct. 13, 9-12 AM.: Kathy Blomquist & Jeremy Kalin
- ❖ Tasks to share the responsibilities of the coalition
- ❖ Year Three Projects:
  - Connect with families during late infancy & toddler development (6, 12, 18 months.)  
-Jodie: Areas for information/support for infants, toddlers, preschoolers
  - Website promotion: Lisa, Kathy, Jodie
  - Ongoing fundraising/business engagement: Donna, Kathy, Kerry, Barb, Sally
  - Literacy/Book bins/Santa Anonymous/Concerts in the Park selections: Donna, Sue, Linda, Lanay
- ❖ Our next meeting:  
Friday, December 14, 2007, 9-10:30 AM; North Branch Library