



Directory of State Early Learning Contacts— February 2018



Fostering sustainable change in state policy and practice for children birth to third grade

LETTER FROM CEELO

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Dear Colleagues,

This latest edition of the Directory of State Early Learning Contacts contains updated information for state contacts in the birth through third grade system in each state.

Recognizing that the information in the directory isn't static, we aim to re-verify and re-publish the Directory twice a year to ensure the information is current. In January of 2018, the contacts in each state received an e-mail requesting a review of their state information. Updates were compiled and changes were entered to create this latest iteration of the Directory. We received a high response rate and have made changes as indicated; however, If you know of additional changes or corrections, please forward these to info@ceelo.org.

In general, we have limited the contacts to those positions that operate in every, or almost every, state. We'd appreciate any suggestions for additional contacts that should be included for each state, again send along to info@ceelo.org.

Finally, we would like to thank all those in the Directory for taking the time to review their information and provide feedback in the midst of their demanding schedules.

Go forth and explore!



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| | |
|---------|---|
| ACF | Administration for Children and Families-HHS |
| CEELO | Center on Enhancing Early Learning Outcomes |
| CCDF | Child Care Development Fund |
| CCSSO | Council of Chief State School Officers |
| CCTAN | Child Care Technical Assistance Network |
| EC | Early Childhood |
| ED | US Department of Education |
| ECLKC | Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center |
| HHS | US Health and Human Services |
| NIEER | National Institute for Early Education Research |
| OCC | Office of Child Care-HHS |
| OEL | Office of Early Learning-ED |
| OHS | Office of Head Start-HHS |
| OSEP | Office of Special Education Programs |
| RTT-ELC | Race to the Top—Early Learning Challenge |
| SEA | State Education Agency |
| TA | Technical Assistance |

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Based on the priorities established by the U.S. Department of Education, CEELO staff, partners, and experts will work with SEAs and other decision-makers to achieve the following goals:

- Improve states' knowledge about and use of early childhood comprehensive assessment systems
- Enhance the use of assessment data and other information to improve program quality
- Increase the knowledge and skills of the early learning workforce
- Strengthen the alignment of birth through 3rd grade educational policies and systems
- Increase the coordination of resources and policies across statewide systems

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