



***What Does It Take: A Convening of State Leaders to Identify Common Barriers and Craft Effective Solutions to Expanding Preschool***

***September 10-11, 2019***

***CCSSO Offices: (One Massachusetts Ave NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001)***

The meeting will bring together state teams and national experts to identify barriers and craft effective solutions to scaling publicly funded preschool programs. This working meeting will enable state teams to engage with national experts and early childhood administrators from other states to learn about tools, resources, and strategize to build the capacities to move the work in your state. Topics to be addressed will include:

- Defining ambitious, but achievable short- and long-term goals;
- Approaches to district-centered implementation and continuous quality improvement;
- Building organizational capacities within State Departments of Education/State Offices of Early Childhood; and
- Strategies to ensure adequate coverage for the expansion such as general operation, transportation, facilities, qualified workforce, and funding for services.

**September 10, 2019**

1:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Opening Remarks and Introductions
1:30 pm – 2:45pm	<i>How Far We’ve Come: Insights on PreK Expansion.</i> Clayton Burch, Associate Supt., WV; Representative Terri Collins, AL; Ellen Frede, NJ, Steve Barnett, NIEER
2:45 pm - 3:00 pm	Break + Transition to Small Groups
3:00 pm – 4:45 pm	Facilitated Peer Sharing: <i>Expect the Unexpected: Brainstorming Challenges to PreK Expansion</i>
4:45 pm – 5:15 pm	<i>Federal Perspectives on State Efforts to Expand Publicly Funded Preschool-</i> Dr. Deborah Bergeron, Director, Office of Head Start and Early Childhood Development, and Shannon Christian, Director of the Office of Child Care, US HHS’ Administration for Children and Families
5:15 pm - 5:30 pm	Closing Remarks and Setting Stage for Day 2



**September 11, 2019**

7:00 am – 8:30 am	Breakfast Available at the Hotel
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Check out of hotel and Uber to CCSSO
9:00 am – 9:15 am	Reflections on Day One and Goals for Day Two
9:15 am - 9:30 am	Transition to Small Groups- Generating Solutions
10:00 am- 12:15 pm	<b>Peer to Peer: Generating Solutions to Common Challenges</b> Participants will have the opportunity to choose 3 topics; and engage in discussion with colleagues to generate solutions
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Break and Transition to Lunch
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Working Lunch: Facilitated State Team Time to <i>Develop State Roadmap</i>
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	<i>Finding Common Ground: Sharing State Roadmaps and Commitments to Action</i>
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Closing Remarks and Action Items

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