



This e-newsletter offers brief updates on CEED people, projects, and events. We hope you enjoy it!

About CEED

Our web address has changed--“education” has been replaced by “cehd”: <http://cehd.umn.edu/ceed>. Please update your links.

Karen Cadigan, CEED’s Director of Outreach and Public Policy, has taken a 50% position as Policy Director at the Children, Youth and Family Consortium (<http://www.cyfc.umn.edu>). She will remain 50% at CEED. In her role at CYFC, she will focus on ways to aid policy makers and practitioners in grounding policy and practice in evidence. She will lead the Family Impact Policy Initiative (FIPI), which includes the directorship of the Family Impact Seminars (FIS). At the seminars, policy-makers are provided with nonpartisan, current, evidence-based information on issues facing families, and learn how to analyze an issue, policy, or program by assessing their impact on family wellbeing. In addition, Karen will facilitate the Policy Work Group, an alliance of policy-minded faculty and staff from CYFC, CEED, the College of Education and Human Development and University Relations who meet regularly to explore coordinated ways of increasing faculty’s ability to communicate the public relevance and policy impact of their work, disseminate work to public audiences, and generally translate and distill research.

Betty Carlson, Ph.D., from ICD, will be working 25% time with Christopher Watson and Marti Erickson as a co-director of the new IECMH Certificate Program (below you will find more info on the launch of the Program).

Welcome to Katie Lingras, Stacy Johnson, and Shannon Rader who are all joining CEED as GRAs to work on the Minnesota Early Learning Foundation (MELF) grant project. We also welcome Anita Larson, Research Associate from the School of Social Work, who will now be working 50% on MELF.

Projects

The Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Certificate Program was launched on August 24, 2007. Thirty students were in attendance as were all program directors and program instructors. The first full day of class was followed by an informal buffet at the Holiday Inn Minneapolis Metrodome where students and staff had an opportunity to get acquainted. All participants were excited to be part of this ground-breaking event. The first cohort will be involved in this innovative program for the next two years. For more information on the IECMH Certificate Program, visit <http://cehd.umn.edu/ceed/IECMHCP/default.html>.

Publications

The Early Literacy Handbook produced by the Minnesota Early Literacy Training (MELT) Project is now available as a free pdf for download at <http://cehd.umn.edu/ceed/publications/manuals/earlylithandbook.htm>.

Courses and Trainings

Consider enrolling in one of our distance education classes this fall to earn continuing education credit. Certificates are approved and issued by the College of Education and Human Development at the University of Minnesota. For more information, see “What’s New” on the CEED homepage at <http://education.umn.edu/ceed>.

Events

The McEvoy Lecture Series moves to greater Minnesota with a talk on October 15 in Fergus Falls. “Smarter Reform: Beyond Single Program Solutions to an Early Care and Education System” will be presented by Louise Stoney (Alliance for Early Childhood Finance) as part of a day-long event, “Communities Working Together for School Success.” For more information and to register: <http://cehd.umn.edu/ceed/events/mmlectureseries/default.html>.

Partners and Links

The Minnesota Department of Human Services is seeking a Social Services Program Advisor—\$18.13 to \$26.60 per hour (\$37,855 to \$55,541 per year). Contact: Karen Pitts, 651-431-3853. The application deadline is September 14, 2007.

Mount Olivet Child Learning Center, a faith-based early childhood program, is looking for an individual to specialize in education of children 12-24 months of age. Applicants must be teacher/assistant teacher qualified and have infant and/or toddler experience. To learn more, please contact Rozalyn at 763-559-3036.

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