# IL SC CoP & CFC SC Trainer Forum

# Illinois Service Coordination Community Bulletin – Fall 2019

# **IL SC INITIATIVES**

**IL SC Stakeholder Survey** – IL SC Stakeholder Group is preparing a summary report to share key findings. We will also hope to utilize the wisdom found within these IL SC Communities to address some needs identified as a result of the survey (e.g. better understanding how awards/recognition for quality SC practices are made available at CFCs and how/when SCs share information with families related to community based resources and supports).

### COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE (COP) PARTICIPANT EVALUATION

Thank you to everyone who participated in the CoP participant evaluation. Our IL SC Communities were launched in the Spring/Summer 2017 and represent both urban and rural parts of the state with 14 out of 25 CFCs are participating in some capacity. Most notable findings include more than half of the participant's report they are gaining new knowledge & skills, identifying tools & strategies, applying something new, using documents or resources gained, are changing the way they think about or approach their work and feel their participation has helped them to be effective in local initiatives. EITP is preparing a report to summarize findings, will share findings at upcoming IL SC Community meetings, and recently presented findings at the International Division for Early Childhood (DEC) Conference in Dallas, Texas.

# NATIONAL SC INITIATIVES

- Web-Conversation on Wednesday, October 30, 2019, 1:00-2:00pm CST <u>Coaching During Service Coordination</u>: <u>What does it look like?</u> hosted by the <u>Division for Early Childhood (DEC) SC CoP</u>: Instructional Practice 13 (DEC Recommended Practices, 2014) encourages practitioners to use coaching when interacting with primary caregivers - and that includes service coordinators! Join us for a web conversation to discuss nine coaching practices that you can use to help families participate in the EI process, share information, access resources, and solve problems. (Space is limited so please only register if you plan to participate in the live event).
- Joint Position Statement on Service Coordination DEC & the Infant Toddler Coordinator Association (ITCA) have had 3 meetings and have started to draft the position statement. If you have ideas about what you think the field should know about service coordination please share them with <u>Maria Kastanis</u> and/or <u>Sarah Nichols</u> so they can share your thoughts with the workgroup writing the position statement.

## **ONLINE WORKSPACES**

- Remember to visit the online workspace for your community if you are seeking information about past/future meetings or resources shared around topics of interest.
- If you need assistance accessing or posting information to the workspace email Sarah Nichols at <a href="mailto:snichols@illinoiseitraining.org">snichols@illinoiseitraining.org</a>.

#### **RESOURCES YOU CAN USE!**

- <u>Can Service Coordinators Use Coaching?</u> Read this blog from Early Intervention Strategies for Success to learn more about how service coordinators can use coaching in their practices.
- <u>Service Coordination Coaching Videos</u>: The Early Intervention Video Library has a page dedicated to service coordination and several videos related to service coordinators using coaching have recently added to the library.