

Illinois Service Coordination Forum Bulletin – Fall 2020

IL SC INITIATIVES

- [IL SC Forum Workspace](#) - Request [HELP](#) from community members - simply login, post your request and an email alert will go out. Please remember this is a safe place to connect so be courteous and post responsibly.
- [IL SC Forum Meetings](#) - Proposed 2021 calendar: February 10, May 12, August 11, November 10
- **Next IL SC Forum Meeting 11/18/20 10-11am CT** - Discussion Topic led by IL SC Forum Leaders: *The Art of Discussion: Engaging Families in Crisis* ([Register here](#) if you have not previously registered for any meetings.)
- Don't forget to check out the [IL SC Stakeholder Survey](#) as we will have a poster session at the [Division for Early Childhood \(DEC\) annual international conference](#) this year to spotlight what we learned here in Illinois!

NATIONAL SC INITIATIVES

- [Knowledge & Skills for Service Coordinators \(KSSC\)](#) have been finalized and posted on the DEC website as a News Brief. A DEC SC CoP web discussion to review the KSSC is being planned for December.
- **DEC/ITCA Joint SC Position Statement** - In final review and is anticipated to be released later this fall. Join the [DEC SC CoP](#) to stay informed on the position statement and other national SC initiatives/opportunities.

OPPORTUNITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Division for Early Childhood \(DEC\) Conference](#) will be virtual this year AND they have **50% off registration** for anyone who is a practitioner (including service coordinators)! Here is the [registration discount information](#) with registration link.
- [The Foundation for Excellence - Understanding the Knowledge and Skills for Service Coordinators](#) - Thursday, December 3rd, 2020 at 2:00 - 3:00 PM Central Time - Hosted by DEC SC CoP

RESOURCES YOU CAN USE!

- **EI On the Fly Podcasts**
 - ****NEW [Teaming and Collaboration Series!](#)** (5 part series with new episodes added each month!)
 - [Implicit Bias](#) - Episode that was released in January 2020 which was also shared via the DEC SC CoP.
- [Preparing Families](#) - Series of short videos highlighting parent's perspectives found on the ECTA Center website:
 - If you're new to EI/ECSE and want to understand how virtual visits work, listen to nine-month-old Ares' family story.
 - If you're familiar with in-person home visits, but unsure of the benefits of virtual visits listen to young Liam's family story.
 - If you're anxious about how virtual visits will work for your family, listen to 18-month-old Grayson's family story.
 - If you're wondering what benefits a provider can bring to your child and family through virtual visits, listen to two-year-old Sam's family story.
 - If you're interested in learning how to make the most of your provider's expertise during and in between virtual visits, listen to five-month-old Zander's family story.
- [Supporting Families During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) - Developed by the DEC Family Committee after a family panel shared their perspectives during a [listening session](#).
- [Troubleshooting Live Video Visits](#) - Developed by EITP in collaboration with Chicago Regional CFC Support Meeting members and Early Childhood Consultant Larry Edelman