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Dear ParentChild+ sites,

We hope this message finds you well as we bid farewell to February and eagerly anticipate the arrival of spring. There's much to look forward to in the coming months, particularly our exciting annual conference, where we will gather (this year virtually, next year in person) to share insights, exchange ideas, and strengthen our commitment to empowering families. It is an excellent opportunity to relax, network with fellow coordinators, and support the ParentChild+ mission. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to making a difference in the lives of your communities and so many families.

As always, please reach out if you have questions, need information, and/or just want to update us on what you are up to. ***We want to share your successes, your stories, your moments of joy, so please send stories, quotes, and/or photos to our Development and Communications Coordinator, [Ricardo Abreu](#).*** For today's moment of joy, scroll down for some wonderful pictures!

Stay safe and be well!
- The national center team

REMINDER: Merchandise Order Form Deadline, Wednesday, March 6

Please remember the deadline for all merchandise orders is Wednesday, March 6th. [Here is the list of merchandise](#). When you are ready, [here is the order form](#). Please send all order forms to [Dina Shahverdi](#). The next ordering period will be in September-October 2024.

**Note: We will NOT be ordering shirts and caps in the Oct 2024 order. If you are interested in shirts and caps, please order them with the March order. The reason is, we hope that by doing this once a year, we will reach the minimum order. If you do not*

order shirts and caps in March, the next time you will be able to order them is March 2025.

REMINDER: 2024 Virtual Conference

Call for Proposals for Workshops
We need your expertise at this year's Conference:
Fostering Positive Development: Strengthening Children, Families, Caregivers, and
ParentChild+ Staff

Our themes will be:

- Building a Foundation of Resilience for Positive Development
- A Closer Look at Child Development
- School Readiness: Building Parent, Caregiver, and Staff Capacity

For more detail on the full theme descriptions and prompts [click here.](#)

There are several options to participate:

- Present a workshop on a topic that is related to our themes: resilience/family/child mental health; child development; or school readiness. We are particularly interested in these topics as they relate to your community or cultural context. Workshops should have approximately 45 minutes of content, and 5-10 minutes open for Q&A. Think of a panel of site staff who can do this together, or co-presenting with another program or agency that you frequently partner with.
- Be put on a panel with staff from other sites on a topic of your choosing, with questions coming from a moderator.
- Participate in a "poster session." Simply create one slide that can be shared about a practice, innovation, or new VISM to show in our Exhibit Space (new this year!). Be available to discuss and answer questions as conference participants virtually walk around the exhibit space. Great way to meet others!

Coaching and supports are available to all presenters! If you would appreciate extended coaching, please submit your proposal by March 15, so we can help. Doing a conference presentation is a great way to enhance your resume!

[Submit here with your proposal, "poster session" idea, or request to be put on a panel.](#)

Stay tuned for details about registration soon!

We are proud to announce the keynote line-up for this year's Conference:



Patti Manz, PhD

Prof. & Assoc. Chair, Dept. of Ed. & Health Services at Lehigh University

Dr. Manz will be presenting:

**Parent Involvement in Toddlers' Learning: The Essential Ingredient for
Optimizing Children's Development**



Monica Noriega, PhD

Assist. Clinical Prof., UCSF

Dr. Noriega will be presenting:

**No Revolution Without Relationship: Resistance and Resilience in the
Parent-Child Relationship**



Mavis Sanders, PhD

Senior Research Scholar, Child Trends

Dr. Sanders will be presenting:

The Role of Communities in Promoting Family and Child Well-Being

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APRIL 28-29
2025



WASHINGTON, D. C.

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IN PERSON

****Partner Sites Logo Requests****

On our Implementation Partner page on our website – there are a lot of partner agency logos missing. Ideally, there should be one for each of our wonderful implementation partners. We want people to see who our partner agencies are when they visit our site!

Please [click here to upload the logo](#) that you would like us to feature on our new implementation partner page.



**Home visit, a mother and father playing with their young child with a little coaching from their Early Learning Specialist.
-Seattle, WA**

CEO, Sarah Walzer Visits WA State