



2016 Changing the Paradigm Conference

“Children, Families, & Schools: Building Trauma-Informed Communities”

March 16 & 17, 2016

The California Endowment, 1000 N. Alameda St. Los Angeles, CA 90012



Call for Workshops

Each year, Echo Parenting & Education hosts the “Changing the Paradigm Conference” to bring together researchers or specialists and those who work with children and families to translate cutting edge science and innovation into practice. This year, our focus is on creating physically and emotionally safe schools and communities, applying information on childhood trauma, resiliency building and attachment so that adults and children can enjoy compassionate, connected relationships. The conference draws over 300 parents, teachers, administrators, social service workers and therapists who are all hungry to learn best practices from the “frontiers of innovation.”

Call for Workshops

Echo Parenting & Education invites proposals for concurrent workshops sessions to be held on Wednesday, March 16 and Thursday, March 17, 2016. Interactive presentations should be designed to last **60-75 minutes** including any Q&A time and fit within one of the following tracks:

- **Childhood trauma and toxic stress**
- **Trauma-informed schools**
- **Body-based regulation and healing**
- **Parent & youth voices**

Guidelines for Submission

There are different categories for presentations: Workshops, Learning Circles, and Panel Discussions. Our goal is to have a diverse program in both subject matter and type of presentation.

Full workshop proposal should include:

- Cover Page (*attached*)
- Biographical summary for each presenter, including credentials (100 words max)
- Handouts and PowerPoint presentations. We ask that PowerPoints be limited to 30 slides.
- 200–500 word expanded description, which includes:
 - Three learning objectives for the workshop
 - Presentation methods
 - Geographic area & population served
 - Innovative elements or unique impacts
 - Best practices or strategies highlighted in the workshop
 - Any data or evaluation findings that will be shared
- Describe specific audio-visual needs or set-up requirements

Selection Criteria

Presentations will be selected based on:

- Relevance to conference theme
- Variety added to topics/viewpoints/approaches represented at conference
- Degree of anticipated audience interaction and participation
- Innovative nature of content

Submission Deadline

Proposals must be received by **Friday, September 18, 2015**

Completed proposals should be mailed or emailed/submitted online to:

conference@echoparenting.org

Echo Parenting & Education, P.O. Box 26938, Los Angeles, CA 90026

Notice of Selection

- The Conference Advisory Committee and Echo Parenting & Education staff will review all presentations
- The Contact Person will be notified of the final decision via email and/or telephone by November 16th, 2015. If your presentation is chosen and you are notified, you will need to confirm your participation with Echo Parenting & Education by December 11, 2015
- After December 11, 2015, changes in your presentation's content (PowerPoint, information, handouts, etc.) and speakers (adding or subtracting) will need to be reviewed by Echo Parenting & Education and the Conference Advisory Committee

Support for Presenters

- Echo Parenting & Education will waive the conference fee for Lead Presenters. All additional presenters may attend the 2-day conference at a 50% discount



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Workshop Application Cover Page

Workshop Title: _____

Lead Presenter: _____

Title & Organization: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone: _____

Contact Person: _____
(If different from above)

Title & Organization: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone: _____

Brief description of the workshop *(full description and other required information should be attached)*

Briefly describe how your workshop relates to the theme of the conference

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