Professional Development Organizations



Web Link: <u>www.pakeys.org</u>

The Pennsylvania Early Learning Keys to Quality, sponsored by the Department of Human Service's Office of Child Development and Early Learning, is a quality improvement program in which all early learning programs and practitioners are encouraged and supported to improve child outcomes.

The Pennsylvania Keys to Quality consists of a statewide PA Key and six Regional Keys and is a system of supports for Keystone STARS and many other programs.



Early Intervention Technical Assistance (EITA)

Web Link: <u>www.eita-pa.org</u>

Early Intervention Technical Assistance system (EITA) provides state wide training and technical assistance on behalf of the Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL), Pennsylvania Departments of Human Services and Education. The primary recipients of EITA training and technical assistance are the local infant/toddler and preschool early intervention agencies that provide supports and services to children birth to school age with developmental disabilities and their families. EITA is part of the Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN). EITA is administered through the Tuscarora Intermediate Unit.



ECELS (Early Childhood Education Linkage System)

Web Link: <u>www.ecels-healthychildcarepa.org</u>

ECELS-Healthy Child Care PA offers Self-Learning Modules, Workshops, In-Person Conferences, Audioconferences and Webinars. In addition, in collaboration with Northampton Community College, ECELS offers a 3 credit college course for early educators to learn how to be Child Care Health Advocates. All offerings are listed on this website. ECELS awards state-authorized professional development credit for successful completion of professional development activities. Look for notations on many of the offerings that indicate that these activities meet the Keystone STARS Level 2 Performance Standard for Health and Safety.