



Shaping the Lives of Children



Green Apple Accreditation

11th Annual Conference

Conference Registration & Brochure

September 24 - 26, 2015

Conference Location:

Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention Center and
Hampton Inn Hotel in Downtown Fort Lauderdale
1950 Eisenhower Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

Cost \$110 BEFORE or on June 1st

All registrations AFTER June 1st will be \$125

Registration is also available online at www.gaacs.org

Call 954-256-9254 for more information.

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General Session Summaries

**DCF Rules and Regulations,
Dinah Davis and Samantha
Wass de Czege, Presenters.**

This presentation will educate the audience on the Department's role as a community resource for child care providers, as well as the Department's efforts to help providers succeed in the child care industry.

**Finding EVIDENCE to prove
your programs' success, Shelly
Caldwell-James and Yvonne
Sawyer, Presenters**

Most funders are now requiring proposals that can document the evidence behind the program plan. The presenters will give you examples of how to find an evidence-based model, how to determine which success measurement tools to use and how to prove your success to your funders and the community. These skills can be applied to agencies that operate out-of-school and prevention or behavioral health programs.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, September 24, 2015	Friday, September 25, 2015	Saturday, September 26, 2015
7am – 6 pm Registration Opens	7 am -8 am Breakfast	7am – 8 am Breakfast
8am-10 am Session I	8 am – 10 am Session II	8am - 10am Session III
10am-12 pm Concurrent Workshops	10am – 12pm Concurrent Workshops	10am – 12:00pm Concurrent Workshops
12pm – 2 pm Lunch/Exhibits	12pm –2 pm Lunch/Exhibits	Conference ends
2 pm -4 pm Concurrent Workshops	2 pm–4 pm Concurrent Workshops	<u>Exhibit Viewing Times:</u>
4pm – 6pm Concurrent Workshops	4 pm - 6 pm Concurrent Workshops	12pm -2pm/4pm -6pm Daily
7 pm Reception		

CEUs will be issued for conference and/or workshop attendance.
The schedule may be subject to change.

Guest Speakers and Keynotes

**Becoming An Early Childhood Rock Star:
Increasing Your Sales, Quadeera Teart,
Presenter.**

Becoming An Early Childhood Rock Star: Increasing Your Sales & Rocking Your Celebrity, makes what Early Childhood Entrepreneurs do glamorous, fun, and profitable.

**Creativity Outside of the Box, Othondra Williams,
Ayme Hamoui, and Maria Cristina Caro,
Presenters.**

Encourage educators to jump outside of the box when working with children birth to preschoolers. Provide developmentally appropriate activities that encourage critical thinking and creativity in young children.

**Engaging Parents and Staff in your Center,
Carolynne Mather Presenter.**

Techniques to use when implementing relationship builders between owner, staff, and parents to continue the growth of your Center. This workshop will teach attendees how to build partnerships between with family, community, and schools.

**The Clearinghouse and You, Diane Harris,
Presenter.**

The Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse, called the “Clearinghouse” was created to eliminate the need for duplicate screenings and to ensure the safety of vulnerable children by immediate notification of an employee arrest for those working in child care.

General Session Summaries (continued)

Identifying Child Abuse and Neglect, Regina Jackson, Presenter

Attendees will learn to recognize the difference between an injury or behavior of a child that should be reported to the parents and an injury or behavior that should be reported to Department of Children & Families.

Evidence-based interventions for ADHD Edwin Miller, M.A., M.B.A. and Kera Miller, Presenters

We present an overview of the only research based interventions available for ADHD and how communities can access these cutting edge programs via THRIVE Family Solutions Inc.

Pre-Conference Events

Board Meeting

Wed., September 23, 2015
@ 5:30 pm

General Meeting

Wed., September 23, 2015
@ 7:00 p.m.

Conference Meals

Thursday evening Reception

Friday lunch and snack

Saturday a.m. snack

Hotel Accommodations

Hampton Inn Hotel
Fort Lauderdale, Florida
1-954-924-2700

Ask for the Green Apple rate

Free (and low-cost) resources for your afterschool program, Yvonne Sawyer, Presenter.

Who doesn't like free stuff? Who needs to stretch their grant awards to make afterschool exciting and fun. Ms. Sawyer will present number of ideas, websites and other resources to help to help students. As well, we will share ideas among ourselves and continue to expand the available resources.

Becoming a Green Apple Validator, Freda Stevens, Ph.D., Presenter.

This is a mandatory training for current and new Green Apple validators. This workshop covers: The Role of the Validator/Inspector, ° Conducting an On-Site Inspection, Types of Inspection, Conflict of Interest, Using the Validation Tools, Understanding the My GAACS Account, and Reporting

Green Apple Accreditation 101, Freda Stevens, Ph.D., Presenter

This workshop will cover an overview of Green Apple, How to Submit the Self Study Guide, the Accreditation Standards, the Accreditation Process, and the Policies and Procedures.

Preventing Early Childhood Obesity, Dr. Vera Stevens, Presenter

Even the youngest children in the United States are at risk of becoming obese. This presentation addresses obesity in children from birth to age five, with a focus on nutrition, physical activity, and sedentary behavior. It will help caregivers improve efforts to prevent obesity in children ages birth through five by education of proper nutrition, providing resources for families, promoting age appropriate physical activity, and healthy eating habits.

How to Recognize Some Common Mental Health and Behavioral Issues in the School Setting, Toni Seaton, Presenter

Presentation on some of the most commonly experienced mental health and behavioral issues in the modern classroom. What to do at the first occurrence and who to contact, and the best way for professionals to help the child and family.

Using Science Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) teaching strategies in the classroom, Edna Runner

How to use Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics in the classroom. Integrating Art with S.T.E.M. teaching strategies, to make learning fun, hands-on, and interactive.

This workshop teaches effective teaching strategies for children in all age groups including Child Care, After School, Elementary, Middle, and Secondary Schools.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Attendee Information:

Attendee Full Name _____ Name on badge _____

Additional Attendees (additional rates apply):

Full Name (1): _____ Full Name (2): _____

Full Name (3): _____ Full Name (3): _____

Organization Information:

Organization Name _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Organization Type:

Child Care After School Substance Abuse Residential Treatment Center Private or Charter School

Payment Information:

Name on credit card: _____ Credit Card # _____

Address: _____ Credit Card Type: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ CVC Code: _____

Calculate the total payment: _____ Registration Cost x Number of Attendees = _____

I, authorize Green Apple Accreditation of Children's Services to charge my credit/debit card for the 11th Annual Conference, held September 24 - 26, 2015 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. I, understand my authorization and payment is nonrefundable and cannot be reversed.

_____ Signature _____ Printed Name

Legislative Workshop

Don't miss this session!

Legislative updates on key
legislation/topics including:
Child Care, Mental Health
and Substance Abuse, and
Private Schools.

Hotel Information

Conference Hotel-

Hampton Inn Downtown
Fort Lauderdale (LAS OLAS)
250 N. Andrews Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Additional rates apply.

REQUEST GREEN APPLE RATE

Additional Hotel-

Hyatt Hotel
Downtown Fort Lauderdale
1851 SE 10th Ave
Fort Lauderdale, FL
(954) 763-7670

**There will be shuttle service between
the hotels and the convention center.**

DOWNTOWN SHOPPING TOO!