



Regional Association's Water Cooler

**Conference Call
Tuesday, July 6, 2010**



NATIONAL HEAD START ASSOCIATION

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The purpose of these **networking sessions** is to support and enhance the operations of national, regional and state associations. Association **operational issues**, success and challenges will be discussed. Special topics will be presented in the areas of **communications, connectivity, parent and grassroots engagement, professional development** and **State/Federal policy issues**. Guests will be invited to provide specific content and time will be allocated to encourage an informal exchange of ideas. We anticipate these events will be traditional conference calls as well as web seminars.



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Affiliate's Conference Calls

Regional Association's Water Cooler

- July 6th @ 4:00 pm East/1:00 pm Pacific
- September 7th@ 4:00 pm East/1:00 pm Pacific
- November 9th@ 4:00 pm East/1:00 pm Pacific

State Association Round-table

- July 23th @ 12:00 pm East/9:00 am Pacific
- September 17th@ 12:00 East/9:00 am Pacific
- November 19th@ @ 12:00 pm East/9:00 am Pacific

Call 605-477-3000 - Call Code 110394#



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Agenda – July 6, 2010

Introductions

Updates from Around the Regions

Review of Upcoming Events

- Leadership Institute
- Improving Head Start Readiness

Head Start 2012

- Leaderships Efforts to identify Opportunities & Challenges
- Rounding Up Head Start Alumni

FFY2011 – Head Start Appropriations

Building an E*Commons for Head Start Leadership

- Creating an on-line Community of Value
- If we build it, will they come?





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Updates from Around the Regions

- Regional Updates

R1

R6

R2

R7

R3

R8

R4

R9

R5

R10

- National Associations:

NMSHSA

NIHSDA

- NHSA Board Report – Information Collection Process
Review report format



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Review of Upcoming Events

Leadership Institute

- September 20-23, 2010 - L'Enfant Plaza Hotel - (800) 635-5065 - www.lenfantplazahotel.com
- **Monday** - Opening General Session: Office of Head Start Update on Policy and Regulatory Issues
- **Tuesday** – Policy Briefings
- **Wednesday** – Special Breakfast Honoring **Senators Christopher Dodd and George Voinovich**, Hill Visits, 45th Anniversary Celebration
- **Thursday** – Emerging Issues, Program Performance Standards, President's Agenda and November Opportunities.

Improving Head Start Readiness

- Discussion of draft agenda & next steps



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Head Start 2012

Leaderships Efforts to identify Opportunities & Challenges

First Field Discussion – June 3 & 4, 2010

- Regional or State Field Discussions
 - 1.) The three top priority items that need **to be fixed/changed** in the Head Start Act; and
 - 2.) The top three items in the Head Start Act that are **currently working very well** for programs.

Rounding Up Head Start Alumni

- Send Info to Melissa Stout – mstout@nhsa.org
- Facebook – NHSA Fan Page



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FFY2011 – Head Start Appropriations

Conference Call – June 29, 2010

Call Notes, Targets, & Suggested Next Step

- ✓ Email 7/6 – Got it?
- ✓ Confusing Information made simple, made confusing
- ✓ Targets – Why Targets & Tiers?
- ✓ What Regional Associations Can Do
- ✓ Support Head Start Links to Affiliate Web Sites

www.supportheadstart.org



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Building an E*Commons for Head Start Leadership

- Purpose is to support leaders with access – *when they want it* to shared resource to optimize leadership capacity in the Head Start community – regardless of role
- National, Regional, State Associations – Officers & Professional Staff – expanding to all board members and staff.
- Profile of Affiliates & Individual Leaders
- Emails, news feeds, groups (regions, presidents, executive directors, training coordinators etc...)
- Blogs, Forums, document vault, events, Q & A section, and
- Video Conferencing, and more...

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Discussion

Questions, Considerations, and Next Steps