

Directory of State Early Learning Contacts

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Fostering sustainable change in state policy and practice for children birth to third grade



Letter from CEELO

Dear Colleagues,

This latest edition of the Directory of State Early Learning Contacts contains updated information for state contacts in the birth through third-grade system in each state.

Recognizing that the information in the directory isn't static, we aim to re-verify and re-publish the Directory once a year to ensure the information is current. In January of 2019, the contacts in each state received an e-mail requesting a review of their state information. Updates were compiled and changes were entered to create this latest iteration of the Directory. We received a high response rate and have made changes as indicated; however, if you know of additional changes or corrections, please forward these to info@ceelo.org.

In general, we have limited the contacts to those positions that operate in every, or almost every, state. We'd appreciate any suggestions for additional contacts that should be included for each state, again send along to info@ceelo.org.

Finally, we would like to thank all those in the Directory for taking the time to review their information and provide feedback in the midst of their demanding schedules.

Go forth and explore!



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Acronyms and Abbreviations

ACF	Administration for Children and Families HHS
CEELO	Center on Enhancing Early Learning Outcomes
CCDF	Child Care Development Fund
CCSSO	Council of Chief State School Officers
CCTAN	Child Care Technical Assistance Network
EC	Early Childhood
ECLKC	Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center
HHS	US Health and Human Services
NIEER	National Institute for Early
OCC	Office of Child Care- HHS
OEL	Office of Early Learning- ED
OHS	Office of Head Start- HHS
OSEP	Office of Special Education Programs
RTT- ELC	Race to the Top- Early Learning Challenge
SEA	State Education Agency
TA	Technical Assistance

About CEELO & Contact Information

One of 22 Comprehensive Centers funded by the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Center on Enhancing Early Learning Outcomes (CEELO) will strengthen the capacity of State Education Agencies (SEAs) to lead sustained improvements in early learning opportunities and outcomes. CEELO will work in partnership with SEAs, state and local early childhood leaders, and other federal and national technical assistance (TA) providers to promote innovation and accountability.

Based on the priorities established by the U.S. Department of Education, CEELO staff, partners, and experts will work with SEAs and other decision-makers to achieve the following goals:

- Improve states' knowledge about and use of early childhood comprehensive assessment systems
- Enhance the use of assessment data and other information to improve program quality
- Increase the knowledge and skills of the early learning workforce
- Strengthen the alignment of birth through third-grade educational policies and systems
- Increase the coordination of resources and policies across statewide systems

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