



## Application for ECPC Leadership Academy

Dear Colleague,

I am pleased to provide to you this application participation in Cohort 3 of the ECPC Leadership Academy in Early Childhood Intervention. The Leadership Academy will be facilitated by staff and consultants from ECPC.

### **TIME COMMITMENT:**

The Leadership Academy will meet in person 3 times over the next 9 months. **All participants must attend all meetings.**

ALL travel expenses will be paid (except for dinners at the meetings, mileage to and from home to airport, and parking at your home airport). This includes flight, hotel, meals, and transportation from the airport to the meeting venue.

The three meetings will be in Connecticut.

- Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup> = 2- ½ days and 3 full days = 4 days total
- Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, August 10<sup>th</sup> = 3 ½ days
- Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> to Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> = 3 ½ days

### **LEADERSHIP ACADEMY CONTENT:**

The content of the Leadership Academy was developed by the Part C and Part B 619 coordinators. **Each participant will develop an individual learning plan to emphasize their own priorities and needs as drawn from the curriculum competencies and applied within their job and will develop a systems change capstone project.** The curriculum competencies are attached.

The face-to-face meetings will focus on the three levels of the leadership curriculum and the strands within each level.

**Why is this important?** High-quality leadership should be developed and supported at all levels of service systems in early intervention and early childhood special education under IDEA. These service systems are complex and are composed of a single entity or multiple entities. EI/ECSE program administrators and practitioners are expected to work collaboratively across systems, disciplines, and program boundaries to support the optimal development of young children who have or are at risk for, developmental delays/disabilities and their families. All must be supported to learn and demonstrate individual and collective leadership skills, as high-quality leadership enhances the ability of an organization, agency, or program to meet its goals (Kagan, 2013).

### **NEXT STEPS:**

The cohort will be limited to no more than 20 participants. So please, apply early! *We encourage states to attend as a team who represent both Part C and Part B/619 programs.*



An informational webinar will be held on March 15, 2023 from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm ET for anyone interested in applying. Link to Zoom: <https://uconn-edu.zoom.us/j/97684148331?pwd=T0JkaGdtUy92QWFMTnRsbFp4dDZyQT09>

To apply for this intensive TA opportunity from ECPC, please complete the [online application](#). Please provide a short statement about why you want to participate in the Leadership Academy, and a signature from your supervisor acknowledging that you can commit the necessary time to the Leadership Academy activities and attach your resume.

An orientation webinar will be provided once applicants are selected in April.

**Please submit your application by April 1, 2023. Thank you,**

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