

# California Head Start Association April 2009 Update

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## National Head Start Association's 36th Annual Conference

ORANGE COUNTY  
CONVENTION CENTER  
ORLANDO, FLORIDA  
APRIL 27-MAY 2, 2009

For more conference information visit: <http://www.nhsa.org/> and follow links to the conference detail

## Early Head Start Expansion

As a result of the passing of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act there are new expansion dollars for Early Head Start. The Office of Head Start will soon issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the creation and expansion of Early Head Start programs throughout the nation. California Head Start Association in partnership with First 5 California, WestEd and Preschool California is offering training and technical assistance to organizations planning to respond to the RFP. The goal of the information and training is to help organizations develop strong EHS funding proposals, which will result in more quality services for California children 0 - 5.

Five one-day regional workshops have been scheduled to help organizations develop effective proposals that emphasize effective quality programming for infants and toddlers.

### Workshop locations:

Santa Clara - Thursday, April 16  
Woodland - Friday, April 24  
San Diego - Thursday, April 30  
Los Angeles - Friday, May 1  
Fresno - Friday, May 15 - **New Date**

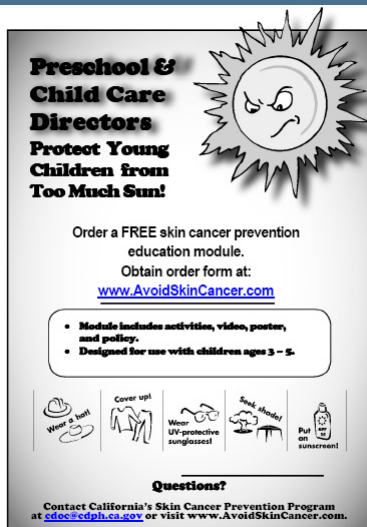
These workshops will assist organizations currently serving low income infants and toddlers, or current Head Start grantees who have the capacity to implement an EHS program to develop effective proposals.

The trainings are designed to help organizations and grantees to assess their current practice as it relates to EHS performance standards; identify and address any existing program weaknesses; think through necessary modifications; decide which EHS program option(s) they will adopt;

Riverside County Office of  
Education  
12th Annual  
Infant/Toddler  
Conference

May 16, 2009  
Corona, CA

To download the Conference  
Registration Form visit:  
<http://caheadstart.org/events.html>  
and follow the link under Head  
Start Related Events



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- Designed for use with children ages 3 - 5.

Wear a hat | Cover up! | Wear UV-protective sunglasses! | Seek shade! | Put on sunscreen!

**Questions?**  
Contact California's Skin Cancer Prevention Program at [cdcc@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:cdcc@cdph.ca.gov) or visit [www.AvoidSkinCancer.com](http://www.AvoidSkinCancer.com).

For a Free Preschool Sun Protection Education Module Visit:  
<http://ww2.cdph.ca.gov/programs/SkinCancer/Pages/Preschool.aspx>

Skin cancer, chiefly caused by ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun, is epidemic in California and across the entire nation. Skin cancer is by far the most common cancer in the state.

Overexposure to UV rays during childhood sets the stage for adult onset of skin cancer. Children need to learn at an

understand the EHS requirements and determine if the organization is a good match to pursue the RFP.

**To register contact:**

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For more information visit:

<http://caheadstart.org/EHSExpansion.html>

## Head Start/Early Head Start Facility Information Sessions

### Preparing for Expansion, Renovation, and Conversion



Passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act resulted in new expansion dollars for Early Head Start (EHS). The Office of Head Start will soon issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the creation and expansion of Early Head Start programs throughout the nation.

The Low Income Investment Fund in partnership with the California Head Start Association is conducting **Head Start/Early Head Start Facility Information Sessions** for organizations planning to respond to the RFP. The information sessions will help organizations

early age why and how to protect themselves from harmful UV rays.

Child care staff are in a unique position to teach and otherwise encourage young children to keep a barrier between themselves and the sun. Recommended prevention behaviors include wearing: 1) a hat with a wide brim, 2) longer clothing (weather permitting), and 3) UV-protective sunglasses. Both children and adults can also benefit by staying under shade, when possible, and by application of sunscreen to exposed skin.

Remember to protect young children and yourself from the sun's harmful UV rays. Child care staff should model sun-safety practices whenever they engage in outdoor activities with children. To support integration of sun-protection measures within child care and preschool sites, California's Skin Cancer Prevention Program offers a no cost skin cancer prevention education module. The module includes an activity curriculum, video, poster, and a policy template for teaching sun-protection behaviors to children, ages three to five.

To order the skin cancer prevention education module, please e-mail your request to [cdoc@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:cdoc@cdph.ca.gov). For more information on skin cancer prevention or California's Skin Cancer Prevention Program, visit us online at [www.AvoidSkinCancer.com](http://www.AvoidSkinCancer.com).

renovate, or convert their facilities so they meet the unique needs of young children and Head Start performance standards.

Three information sessions in May 2009:

Fresno - May 18, 2009, 1:30-4:00pm

San Bernardino - May 20, 2009, 1:30-4:00pm

Los Angeles - May 21, 2009, 1:30-4:00pm.

**Space is limited,**

RSVP right away to Laurie Parent at:

[lparent@liifund.org](mailto:lparent@liifund.org) or (415) 489-6119



## Join the CHSA / Child Care Results DRDP-R Data Analysis Collaboration Project

Join CHSA and Child Care Results in producing the first Head Start Child Outcomes report based on the actual DRDP-R child assessment data.

If you have your 2008-2009 DRDP-R data in an electronic format and want to participate in the Outcomes report, please contact us immediately for details. Contact us for more info 800.493.8621 or [info@childcareresults.com](mailto:info@childcareresults.com)

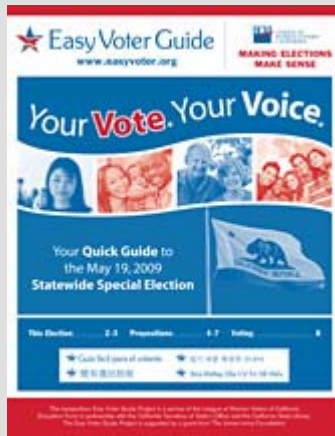
**Why?** A state-wide report will help CHSA demonstrate the effectiveness of Head Start programs and provide the information necessary to support advocacy efforts on behalf of Head Start children and families.

Child Care Results is preparing this report at no-charge to CHSA. All we need are a few more willing participants!

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SPECIAL ELECTION May 19!



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To vote in the May 19 election register before May 4!

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## California Head Start Association Summer Health Institute



"Focusing on Quality  
Health Programs,  
Looking Through a New Lens."

June 16-17, 2009

Holiday Inn Sacramento Capitol Plaza  
Sacramento, CA

### Sample of breakout sessions for the upcoming institute:

- Early Head Start Strand
- New Federal Review Protocols Panel
- Community Partnership Collaborative Panel
- State and Federal Updates on Health/Oral Health, Disabilities and Mental Health - provided by OHS and ACF
- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and Quality Improvement projects

To register on-line go to:

<http://caheadstart.org/conference.html>

Printable registration form available at:  
<http://caheadstart.org/SHIRegistration%2009.pdf>

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California Head Start Association

## Summer Manager & Director Institute



July 28-29, 2009

Marriott Los Angeles Downtown  
Los Angeles, CA

## Update from STG International, Inc

I am happy to share that the new Head Start State-Based T/TA Office for California is now up and running.

As our first task on this contract, the Head Start State-Based T/TA Office for California just completed its required Training and Technical Assistance Needs Assessment. We are enthusiastic about our California Grantees' response to the Needs Assessment totaling a return rate of 78% . The Office is in the process of analyzing results and will begin working on a Training and Technical Assistance Plan that will address the priority needs identified.

On behalf of the entire California State-Based T/TA Team, I would like to thank you for your participation and support of this process. We look forward to sharing our results with you in the near future.



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more information.

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## \$2 Dollar Per Child Campaign



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