



New Mexico Home Visiting Summit

Raising Our Children, Elevating Our Profession

WHAT New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD), LANL Foundation and CHI St. Joseph's Children are collaborating to host a two-day New Mexico Home Visiting Summit.

The **first day** is open only to home visitors and staff from throughout the state who provide home visiting services to New Mexico families with children ages 0–3.

The **second day** is open to all statewide stakeholders with a vested interest in using home visitation services as a strategy to improve the well-being of children, families, and communities in New Mexico. This additional audience includes community members, nonprofit or advocacy agencies, early care educators, health service providers, government agencies, and local and state policymakers.

WHEN Thursday, August 23, 2018, 1:00–4:30pm with a 5:00–6:30pm Social Event
Friday, August 24, 2018, 7:30 AM–4:30 PM

WHERE Albuquerque Marriott Pyramid North
5151 San Francisco Rd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109

SPEAKERS **Keynote Speaker on day 1 is Alvin Warren** (unconfirmed), W.K. Kellogg Foundation New Mexico Program Officer, who will present on “Everybody’s Child.”

Keynote Speaker on day 2 is Ellen Galinsky, President and Co-Founder of Families and Work Institute, who will present her work on child development, work-family balance, and the science of children’s learning.

Both days offer 6 breakout sessions of presentations followed by facilitated discussions surrounding groundbreaking work in home visiting. Topics include trauma-informed practice, culturally relevant services, child abuse, substance use, family engagement, economic implications, and service provider self-care. (Speakers and facilitators are being finalized.) Agenda and most current information may be found at www.lanlfoundation.org/homevisitingsummit

WHY It is commonly known that experiences matter, and what a child experiences in the first years of life strongly affects how their brain will develop and their life-long interactions with the world. When positive relationships are supported, children develop the skills to be successful in school and in life. Nurturing parent-infant/toddler interactions are critical in

building secure attachment, lead to best possible development in all areas of functioning, and are associated with greater success during the school years.

- WHY NOW** The CYFD Home Visiting Program and the LANL Foundation have each hosted home visitation conferences for several years. The statewide Home Visiting Summit evolved from discussions to unify these efforts in collaboration with additional statewide partners.
- THEME** **The summit theme is “Raising Our Children, Elevating Our Profession” with a focus on** deepening the understanding of opportunities and challenges in home visiting and family supports. Additionally, home visitors statewide have expressed a need to learn more about the effects of toxic stress and trauma on young children. The summit is a chance for New Mexico’s infant/toddler professionals to receive professional development and learn strategies and best practices from a number of experts in the field of early education, focused on topics they determined to be most important.
- GOAL** The goal of the summit is to bring statewide stakeholders together to increase the knowledge and understanding on the importance of supporting families to provide all babies what they need to grow and thrive, thereby improving the health and well-being of children and families in NM.
- REGISTRATION** **Registration for both days is FREE for home visitors (including Continuing Education Units, if desired.) A \$25.00 registration fee will be charged for the second day to the broader audience (+\$5 for CEU certificate, if desired; home visitor CEUs are free).** It is important that the summit is affordable and accessible to anyone who would like to attend. Registration link will be sent with a future email invitation and may be found at **www.lanlfoundation.org/homevisitingsummit**
- SUPPORTERS** The partners are covering most of the required resources to support the summit, however, the event is also to sponsorship. Sponsors will be recognized at the summit and are offered display booths.

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