



## Committee Updates

### Development/Fundraising Committee

The development/fundraising committee was in a period of transition this year. We had difficulty maintaining consistent participants and both the chairperson and board liaison changed over the course of the year. Despite these challenges, we had some success: We developed a strategy to recruit committee members and successfully recruited two new members at the annual conference. We created an online membership card and drafted welcome letters for both new and renewing members. We strategized fundraising opportunities and began looking at membership and benefits for those living or working in rural parts of the state. In the coming year, we hope to improve benefits for members and increase membership, thereby increasing revenue.

### Public Awareness Committee

This past year the Public Awareness Committee worked on updating the Guidelines for Social Media and Technology. We also began to draft policies, procedures, and guidelines for our committee (as requested by the Leadership and Governance Committee). The Guidelines for Social Media and Technology have been updated and are ready to be vetted by the board. The policies/procedures document is still in discussion/drafting stage. The Public Awareness committee dwindled to two members during 2018 so much attention was put into recruiting new members at the annual conference. With six members on board as of January 2019, the Public Awareness Committee is ready to move forward with new vigor in 2019.



Left: Panel presentation and discussion on the first day of conference.

### Knowledge and Education Committee

The Knowledge and Education Committee had an eventful year. Activities included a presentation on the Circle of Security Model, a viewing of the movie *Resilience*, and our annual conference. This year's conference, "Breaking the Cycle of Poverty", brought together local and national experts to share compelling stories, cutting edge research, best practices and local resources. We have some very exciting events planned for the upcoming year, including a presentation by Manchester's ACERT Program—"A Community and Law Enforcement Partnership Helping to Reduce ACEs" at the annual meeting. We are also planning a unique workforce development activity this spring, which will bring together students and experienced early childhood mental health providers. Finally, we continue to have new people joining the ranks of our Early Childhood and Family Mental Health credentialed professionals.

### Leadership and Governance Committee

The focus of our work this year was succession planning and documentation. We recommended changes to officers' responsibilities to spread out the work more equitably. We proposed creating a new position of president-elect to aid with leadership transition. We also began the process of documenting our policies and procedures. Both efforts will strengthen the organization and help bring in and support new leadership. We are designing a document-sharing repository on Google Drive for board and committee members to have easy access to the materials they need to do their work. Our committee grew from three members to seven and we welcome more!



Right: A houseful of eager conference attendees.

## Early Childhood and Family Mental Health Credential (ECFMHC)

The following individuals earned their credentials this year:

### Intermediate

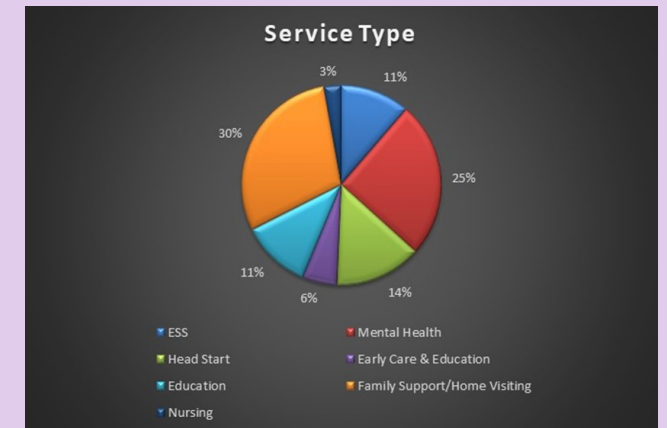
Eileen Bacon  
Mary Mullen LaValley

### Advanced

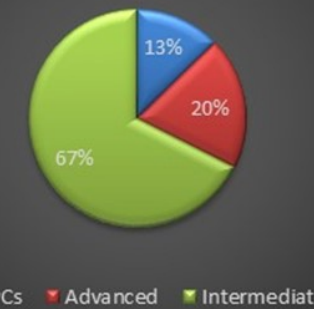
Meg Piana  
Shannon Yale

### Credentials Renewed

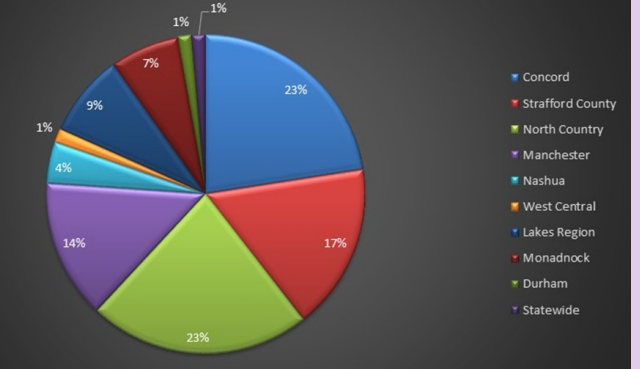
Sandra Hogan (Reflective Practice Consultant)  
Carol Pivor (Reflective Practice Consultant)  
Ellyn Schreiber (Reflective Practice Consultant)  
Cindy Marsh (Intermediate)  
Lori Tweedy (Intermediate)  
Valerie Piper (Advanced)



### Credential Type



### Geographic Area



## Annual Conference

### 2018 Annual Conference

Breaking the Cycle of Poverty:  
Overcoming its Impacts;  
Successful Strategies for Engaging Families  
Keynote presenters:  
Joan L. Luby, MD and Prudence Pease, BA



Above: Keynote speaker, Prudence Pease.



Above: Roundtable discussion during presentation.

### Comments from Conference Attendees

"Powerful...thought provoking", "Challenged me to think about parents who are living in poverty in new ways", "One of the best presenters I have had the privilege to hear", "I look forward to this conference every year, great speakers, great venue, great networking"

A big "Thank You!" to our presenters for their time and expertise.