

Pathways to Positive Parenting Seminar
New York State United Teachers, 800 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY
Thursday, December 6, 2018
Agenda

8:45 – 9:15 a.m. – Coffee & Registration

9:15 – 9:30 a.m. – Welcome & Introduction

9:30 – 12:30 p.m. – Drugs, Alcohol, Pregnancy and the Growing Child: Implications for Early Childhood
With Dr. Ira Chasnoff

Rates of prenatal exposure to alcohol, marijuana, and opiates are rising, and infants and young children exposed prenatally to these substances comprise a growing population of at-risk children. This session will present the latest information on the effects of prenatal exposure to marijuana and opiates, the neurodevelopmental implications for early learning and development, and strategies for enhancing the long-term developmental trajectory for young children.

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. – Lunch & Book Signing with Dr. Ira Chasnoff

1:30 – 4:00 p.m. – Workshops

A. Resilience

With Prevent Child Abuse New York

Prevent Child Abuse New York will screen the documentary film *Resilience* and then host a dialogue with participants about how they can use trauma-informed practice in their daily work with families. The documentary film chronicles the birth of a new movement among pediatricians, therapists, educators, and communities, who are using cutting-edge brain science to disrupt cycles of violence, addiction, and disease. (Directed by James Redford, with nationally-recognized trauma expert and pediatrician Dr. Nadine Burke-Harris.)

B. Motivational Interviewing: Supporting and Guiding Infant Mental Health

With Cheryl Martin

This session will explore how Motivational Interviewing (MI) can be an effective communication style to support our work with infants, young children and the families within which each child grows and develops. MI engages and honors the expertise of all members of the family, helping to strengthen relationships, reduce risk, and build resiliency. We will seek to more deeply understand how we “see” each person within the family and how MI can support and gently guide our care of those with few resources and multiple challenges.

Register Here: www.mecfny.org/whats-new/pathways

Social Work and Licensed Mental Health Counselor Continuing Education hours (3 credit hours) are pending through a partnership with University at Albany Schools of Social Welfare and Education. University at Albany, Schools of Social Welfare and Education are recognized by the New York State Education Department's State Board for Social Work as an approved provider of continuing education for licensed social workers #0011, and by the New York State Education Department's State Board for Mental Health Practitioners as a provider of continuing education for licensed mental health counselors #MHC-0039.

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