

# Meeting the Needs of Families: a Community of Practice

Saturday, February 15, 2020

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

The professional development pilot project was created in response to two major challenges practitioners face: serving children, who display elevated behavioral needs; and a general lack of community resources needed to implement effective practice. The community of practice is a professional development strategy to extend the time needed to process information gained at the conference, further develop practitioner technology skillset, and establish a platform for local practitioners working to support each other using new resources and strategies.

**Mission:** Coordinating culturally responsive practice with family and community engagement in education and health using a community of practice to rejuvenate culture, environment, and climate for our children.

#### The Pre-Conference:

- Community of Practice: Introduction to Conference Topics, Presenter Bios, Schedule
- No Small Matter Viewing & Facilitated Discussion

#### The Conference:

- The Elephant in the Room: Toxic Stress Effects on Health, Executive Function & Self-Regulation
- The Equipped Practitioner: Self-care, Reflective Practice & a Community of Practice
- Relationships Matter: Culturally Responsive Practice with Family & Community Engagement
- A Proactive Approach to Working with Families: Creating Safe Environments for Children & Families, Teaching Problem Solving & Focus on Success

#### Where:

Dawson Community College,  
Ullman Center

**Cost:** Free; Professional  
Development Units available

Open to Practitioners serving  
families ages 0-8

#### Register at:

**Pre-Conference:** Friday; 2/14;  
6 pm – 8 pm

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/meeting-the-needs-of-families-project-friday-evening-6-8pm-tickets-82704159367>

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2/15; 8 am – 4 pm

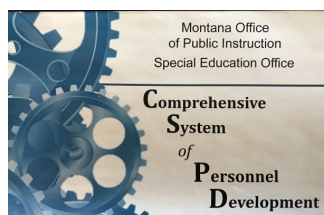
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