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GETTING TO KNOW THE SEFG!

This month's information is about the Social Emotional Field Guide (SEFG.) If you are not familiar with this document, published as a corollary to Ohio's Core Knowledge and Competencies, the accompanying Power Point will give you an idea about how the document is organized, what some of its content is like and how it can be used by early Childhood Education professionals to enhance their capacity to provide for the mental wellness needs of the children they serve.

The aforementioned Power Point focuses on Child Growth and Development, one of a series of training tools used to acquaint potential users with the SEFG. You can learn of trainings on the document by looking for presentations on the PDN website or by contacting your local Childcare Resource and Referral agency (not to mention OCCRRA itself!) You can also download the document by following the link here: <http://www.ohpdnetwork.org/CKC SE Guide.pdf>

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OAIMH SPREADS THE WORD WITH VOICES

Over the summer, OAIMH partnered with Voices for Ohio's Children to provide and gather information from stakeholder groups at 10 Voices regional forums across the state. Sandy Oxley, member of the OAIMH Board and CEO of Voices worked together with OAIMH President Twinkle Schottke to arrange for this partnership. A member of the OAIMH Board was present at each meeting and shared a presentation about OAIMH, its mission and information on how to join our organization.

The meetings were also a great chance to hear from people in the various communities about their biggest concerns regarding services for children in their area. Many of the topics raised by the forums are also concerns of OAIMH. For instance, a lack of quality Early Childhood Childcare programs was a frequently cited concern. The OAIMH Board appreciates the opportunity that Sandy and Voices made available to us. We look forward to future collaborations between our two highly compatible organizations.

Please contact the Editor at john.kinsel@gmail.com with your comments, suggestions, submissions, etc. Thanks, THE ED.

SOUTHWEST CHAPTER HOLDS CONFERENCE FEATURING TERRIE ROSE

And by Southwest, I mean the OAIMH Chapter that serves the greater Cincinnati area, not the airlines. On Saturday, October 17th, the chapter will be bringing renowned author child psychologist, national speaker, and social entrepreneur Terrie Rose, Ph.D. to the MERC Auditorium on the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Oak Campus located at 620 Oak Street, Cincinnati, OH 45206.

Dr. Rose is dedicated to building a healthier world from the baby's point of view. She is the author of **Emotional Readiness: How Early Experiences and Mental Health Predict School Success** and founder of Baby's Space, a child development center for low income children and their families. She also developed the Infant and Toddler **PLAYbook**, a curriculum for providing consistent, creative, and engaging learning environments for infants and toddlers. For more information, go to www.drterrierose.com and www.babyspace.org.

Dr. Rose presented in Ohio last year at an Ohio Head Start Association conference and was very well received. Registration for the conference will start at 8:00 AM with the program beginning promptly at 8:30 and ending at 3:00PM. The cost for 5.0 CEU's is a mere \$40. Online registration is currently open at www.opdn.org. Please enter the following information when registering: **PD Track ID#ST10041080**. Let's support our fellow OAIMERS in Southwest Ohio and learn something at the same time! What a twofer!

NEW OAIMH CHAPTER FORMING!

Speaking of OAIMH chapters, a new chapter is being formed in Northwest Ohio. Or, more accurately, an old chapter is being resurrected! If you live in that quadrant of the state and would like to be a part of this new beginning, please contact Board member Kristin Snell at Kristine.snell@achievementcenters.org. If you live in another part of the state that does not currently have an active chapter of OAIMH and would like to join with others to start one, please contact either Board President Twinkle Schottke at twinkle.schottke@osumc.edu or me at john.kinsel@gmail.com. We are hoping to be able to develop regional chapters across the state over the next few years and would love to have you be a part of that process!

IT'S HAPPENED! OAIMH MADE IT TO THE 21ST CENTURY!

Several issues ago, BABY TALK reported that OAIMH was moving to on-line membership applications. And now it has come true! It's very simple to do for you. And for us, it means no more paper to push, store and possibly misplace! Below are the steps one needs to take to become a member in just a few minutes. If you are not a member, go to the membership section of this website, where you will find these same instructions, and become a member today! If you are already a member, tell a colleague, friend or neighbor how, they too, can join! Thanks.

- Click on the type of Membership you require from the options below.
- This should take you to a description page of the option you selected. **IMPORTANT!** Make sure to click on the button on the upper right hand section of the screen to "Sign In" BEFORE "Adding training to cart".
- Remember you are signing into the Ohio Professional Registry, so use your appropriate credentials. If you do not have an Ohio Professional Registry account, you have the option to create one from the portal.
- After successfully signing in, you will be back on the same description page you landed on originally. From here, you can click the blue "Add training to cart" button to put this item into your shopping cart.
- Complete the registration by entering the payment information required.
- Congratulations! You are now a member of OAIMH.

