

FREE Professional Development Oct. - Dec. 2025

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OCTOBER		
North Central Region Administrator Forum Professional learning connected to NAEYC Early Learning Program Standards and Assessment Items. Open to program leaders pursuing re-accreditation	Thursday, 10/2 9:30 - 11:30 am	Virtual Via Zoom Facilitated by CREC
Southwest Region AQIS Administrator Forum Professional learning connected to NAEYC Early Learning Program Standards and Assessment Items. Open to program leaders pursuing re-accreditation	Wednesday, 10/8 1 - 3 pm	Virtual Via Zoom Facilitated by CES
North Central Region General Monthly Study Group This session will focus on Standard 2: Engaging in Reciprocal Partnerships with Families and Fostering Community Connections	Thursday, 10/9 1 - 3 pm	Virtual Via Zoom Facilitated by CREC
Tiny Hands, Big Insight Participants will explore research-based approaches to documenting infant and toddler growth across domains while respecting the unique, non-linear nature of early development	Tuesday, 10/14 6 - 8 pm	United Way of Greater New Haven 370 James St #403, New Haven, CT Facilitated by ACES
Northeast Region General Monthly Study Group Join peers to reflect, identify strengths, and plan improvements through the lens of NAEYC Accreditation Standards	Wednesday, 10/15 1 - 3 pm	Three Rivers Community College 574 New London Tnpk, Norwich, CT Facilitated by EASTCONN
Cooking Up Your Curriculum Learn about the newly revised NAEYC Early Learning Program Quality Assessment and Accreditation Assessment Items. Join peers in this interactive session for ongoing reflection, shared learning and practical application discussions	Monday, 10/20 5 - 7 pm	376 Hartford Turnpike Hampton, CT Facilitated by EASTCONN
Standard Saturday #8: Digging into NAEYC's NEW Early Learning Quality Assessment System Come for an overview of Program Standard 8: Professionalism: Demonstrating Professionalism as an Early Childhood Educator	Saturday, 10/25 10 am - 12 pm	Virtual via Zoom Facilitated by CES/EdAdvance
NOVEMBER		
Southeast Region AQIS Administrators Forum Professional learning connected to NAEYC Early Learning Program Standards and Assessment Items. Open to program leaders pursuing re-accreditation	Tuesday, 11/4 12:30 - 2:30 pm	Virtual Via Zoom Facilitated by LEARN
Transforming Everyday Care Routines into Learning Opportunities for Infants and Toddlers Participants will explore the profound impact of everyday care routines on infant and toddler learning.	Tuesday, 11/4 1 - 3pm	Catholic Charities CDC, Waterbury, CT Facilitated by EdAdvance







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Northeast region AQIS Administrators forum Professional learning connected to NAEYC Early Learning Program Standards and Assessment Items. Open to program leaders pursuing re-accreditation	Thursday, 11/6 9:30 - 11:30 am	376 Hartford Turnpike Hampton, CT Facilitated by EASTCONN
Honoring Every Child and Family Culturally Responsive Approaches to Holidays	Thursday, 11/6 5:30 - 7:30 pm	40 Lindeman Drive Trumbull, CT Facilitated by CES
Honoring Every Child and Family Culturally Responsive Approaches to Holidays	Wednesday, 11/12 5:30 - 7:30 pm	Virtual via Zoom Facilitated by CES
North Central Region General Monthly Study Group This session will focus on the new NAEYC Early Learning Program Standard 3: Planning and Implementing an Engaging Curriculum to Meet Meaningful Goals	Thursday, 11/13 1 - 3 pm	Virtual Via Zoom Facilitated by CREC
Tiny Hands, Big Ideas Meaningful Curriculum and Planning for Infants and Toddlers	Thursday, 11/13 6 - 8 pm	United Way of Greater New Haven 370 James St #403, New Haven, CT Facilitated by ACES
Standard Saturday #9: Digging into NAEYC's NEW Early Learning Quality Assessment System Come for an overview of Program Standard 9: Leadership and Management: Supporting Staff, Children, and Families Through Effective Leadership and Management	Saturday, 11/15 10 -12 am	Virtual Via Zoom Facilitated by EdAdvance/CES
DECEMBER		
Northwest Region AQIS Administrator Forum Professional Learning Connected to NAEYC Early Learning Program Standards and Assessment Items. Open to program leaders pursuing re-accreditation	Thursday, 12/4 10 am - 12 pm	Virtual Via Zoom Facilitated by EdAdvance
"Navegando el proceso de acreditación NAEYC" Navigating the New NAEYC Accreditation System: Understanding, Aligning, and Implementing for Quality Improvement. In Spanish	Tuesday, 12/9 1 - 3 pm	Virtual Via Zoom Facilitated by LEARN
Creating a Healthy Organizational Climate in Your Early Childhood Program Exploring Ten Dimensions that Shape the Quality of Work Life for Your Staff	Thursday, 12/11 1 - 3 pm	EdAdvance 355 Goshen Road Litchfield, CT <i>Facilitated by EdAdvance</i>
North Central Region General Monthly Study Group This session will focus on the new NAEYC Early Learning Program Standard 4: Teaching to Enhance Each Child's Development and Learning	Thursday, 12/11 1 - 3 pm	Virtual Via Zoom Facilitated by CREC
Northeast Region General Monthly Study Group Join peers to reflect, identify strengths, and plan improvements through the lens of NAEYC Accreditation Standards	Wednesday, 12/17 1 - 3 pm	In-Person Three Rivers Community College 574 New London Tnpk, Norwich, CT Facilitated by EASTCONN







AQIS Facilitator Office Hours

AQIS Facilitator Office Hours are available for your convenience so that you might connect with your regional facilitator. Use the contact information to set up a time during the set office hours to ask questions regarding your program's accreditation, what next steps you might need to be taking, or where you can get more information for your staff on accreditation support. You do not need to be accredited to reach out to the facilitators listed.

Agency/Region	Facilitator	Day/Time
	Mary Stone, mstone@aces.org	Mondays, 9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.
ACES South Central	Kim Cellini, kcellini@aces.org	Mondays, 9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.
Region	Michelle DellaCamera, mdellacamera@aces.org	Thursdays, 12:30 p.m3:30 p.m.
	Lisa Seales, <u>Iseales@aces.org</u>	Mondays, 9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.
	Liz Parmelee, parmelee@cestrumbull.org	Mondays, 9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.
CES Southwest Region	Laurie Franzino, franzinl@cestrumbull.org	Mondays, 9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m. Thursdays, 1:00 p.m 4:00 p.m.
	Christina Lye, <u>lyec@cestrumbull.org</u>	Thursdays, 1:00 p.m 4:00 p.m.
CREC North Central Region	Jean Barresi, <u>ibarresi@crec.org</u>	Fridays, 9:30 p.m 12:30 p.m.
	Natasha Robinson, <u>nrobinson@crec.org</u>	Mondays, 12:30 p.m3:30 p.m.
	Sara Castle, scastle@crec.org	Mondays, 12:30 p.m3:30 p.m.
	Traci Protz, tprotz@crec.org	Fridays, 9:30 p.m 12:30 p.m.
EdAdvance	Kristen Kennen, kennen@edadvance.org	Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m 4:30 p.m.
Northwest Region	Sarah Witkiewicz, witkiewicz@edadvance.org	Mondays, 12:30 p.m 3:30 p.m.
	Sheri Lambert, slambert@eastconn.org	Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.
EASTCONN Northeast Region	Paula Gooslin, pgooslin@eastconn.org	Mondays, 9:00 a.m 11:00 a.m.
	Cheryl LaMothe, clamothe@eastconn.org	Mondays, 11:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.
LEARN	Ali Zanardi, azanardi@learn.k12.ct.us	Mondays, 9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.
Southeast Region	Maria Jose Beteta, <u>mjbeteta@learn.k12.ct.us</u>	Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m 11:00 p.m.





Accreditation and Quality Improvement Support (AQIS)

Free support to ALL early childhood programs:

- Study groups to explore NAEYC's high quality practice standards
- Administrator Forums for currently accredited programs
- Professional development activities that connect to quality practices
- Office Hours by appointment

For more information, scan this QR Code with your camera app:



Individualized support to selected early childhood programs:

- A monthly visit to work on your program's NAEYC Accreditation timeline and program improvement plan
- Monthly Support Meetings to discuss NAEYC updates and quality practices in a group format with other AQIS program administrators
- Phone and email access to your AQIS facilitator for NAEYC Accreditation support
- Priority enrollment for program staff in free professional development

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Accreditation Quality Improvement Support (AQIS) offers many opportunities to engage in professional learning centered on NAEYC Accreditation and ongoing quality improvement. AQIS is funded through the Office of Early Childhood (OEC), in partnership with ACES, CES, CREC, EdAdvance, EASTCONN, and LEARN.



