

## Best Practice Resources for Suspension & Expulsion in Early Childhood Education

### I. Coaching

- Infant Toddler Specialists & Quality Specialists at Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies <https://www.inccrra.org/about/sdasearch>
- Lead, Learn, Excel <https://www.theounce.org/lead-learn-excel/>
- Pyramid Model Process Coach through the Pyramid Model Consortium <http://www.pyramidmodel.org/services/program-capacity-building>

### II. Community Resources and Referrals

- DCFS Spider data base The Service Provider Identification & Exploration Resource (SPIDER) is a data base for identifying resources in the areas of mental health, substance abuse, domestic violence, parenting, early childhood, health clinics and non-clinical programs.

<https://spider.dcf.illinois.gov/>

- Home Visiting <http://igrowillinois.org/>

#### Below are resources that are specific to your community

- Health Care/Primary Care
- Public Health Department (WIC, Family Case Management)
- Public Aid offices (TANF, SNAP)
- Community Based Mental Health Centers
- Domestic Violence shelters • Substance Abuse programs
- Homeless shelters
- Food Pantries • Libraries
- Park Districts
- Child Care Assistance Program
- Early Intervention and Special Education (Local School Districts)
- Child Welfare/DCFS

### III. Developmental Screening

- ExceleRate Illinois, Child screening guide and tools <http://www.excelerateillinoisproviders.com/resources/resources-by-standard?id=52>
- Illinois Child Find Project [www.childfind-idea-il.us/](http://www.childfind-idea-il.us/)
- Illinois Early Intervention <https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=31889>
- Illinois Early Childhood Special Education <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/early-childhood-special-education-services.aspx>
- Birth to Five, Watch Me Thrive <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ecd/child-health-development/watch-me-thrive>
- Screening & Assessment in Early Childhood Settings <http://agesandstages.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Screening-and-assessment-in-early-childhood-1.pdf>
- The Infant, Preschool, Family Mental Health Initiative: *Compendium of Screening Tools for Early Childhood Social-Emotional Development* [https://www.cibhs.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/the\\_infant\\_preschool\\_family\\_mental\\_health\\_initiative\\_compendium\\_of\\_screening\\_tools\\_for\\_early\\_childhood\\_social-emotional\\_deve.pdf](https://www.cibhs.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/the_infant_preschool_family_mental_health_initiative_compendium_of_screening_tools_for_early_childhood_social-emotional_deve.pdf)
- The Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning (CASEL) <http://measuringSEL.casel.org/>

### III. Equity and Bias

- Crossroads Antiracism Organizing and Training <http://crossroadsantiracism.org>
- National Equity Project <http://nationalequityproject.org>
- Race Forward: Racial Equity Impact Assessment Toolkit <https://www.raceforward.org/practice/tools/racial-equity-impact-assessment-toolkit>

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- Institute for Racial Equity and Excellence <http://ireeinc.com/>
- American Civil Liberties Union <http://www.endzerotolerance.org>
- Teaching Tolerance <http://www.tolerance.org>
- Teaching for Change <http://www.teachingforchange.org>
- Race Matters Institute <http://www.racemattersinstitute.org>
- The Kirwan Institute: *Implicit Bias Strategies: Addressing Implicit Bias in Early Childhood Education* <http://kirwaninstitute.osu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/implicit-bias-strategies.pdf>
- Walter Gilliam: *Do Early Educators' Implicit Biases Regarding Sex and Race Relate to Behavior Expectations and Recommendations of Preschool Expulsions and Suspensions?* (2016). <https://medicine.yale.edu/childstudy/zipler/publications/Preschool%20Implicit%20Bias%20Policy%20Brief%20final%209%2026%20276766%205379%20v1.pdf>
- The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC): *Anti-Bias Education for Young Children and Ourselves* <https://www.naeyc.org/resources/pubs/books/anti-bias-education>
- Office of Head Start: *Supporting the School Readiness and Success of Young African American Boys Project: Reflections on a Culturally-Responsive, Strengths-Based Approach* <https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/young-african-american-boys-project-guide.pdf>
- American Federation of Teachers: *Understanding Implicit Bias: What Teachers Should Know* [https://www.aft.org/sites/default/files/ae\\_winter2015staats.pdf](https://www.aft.org/sites/default/files/ae_winter2015staats.pdf)

### IV. Expulsion

- P.A. 100-0105: Preventing Expulsion of Children Birth to Five – Frequently Asked Questions <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/OECD/Documents/P.A.%20100-0105%20FAQ.pdf>
- Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/OECD/Pages/Suspension-and-Expulsion-Resources.aspx>
- "Preventing Early Childhood Expulsion in Illinois" recording of webinar hosted by Illinois Action for Children and the Ounce of Prevention <https://register.gotowebinar.com/recording/2695288214243874049>
- Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and Department of Education (DOE) Policy Statement on ECE Suspension & Expulsion <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ecl/child-health-development/reducing-suspension-and-expulsion-practices>
- Administration of Children & Families/Health & Human Services: *Resources Related to Reducing Suspension and Expulsion Practices in Early Childhood Settings* <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ecl/child-health-development/reducing-suspension-and-expulsion-practices/resources>
- Center on Enhancing Early Learning Outcomes (CEELO): *Early Childhood Suspension and Expulsion Bibliography* [http://ceelo.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/ceelo\\_annotated\\_bib\\_expulsion\\_2015\\_08\\_final\\_web.pdf](http://ceelo.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/ceelo_annotated_bib_expulsion_2015_08_final_web.pdf)
- The Center for American Progress: *Point of Entry: The Preschool to Prison Pipeline* <https://cdn.americanprogress.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/08000111/PointOfEntry-reportUPDATE.pdf>
- SRI International: *Preventing Suspensions and Expulsions in Early Childhood Settings – A Program Leader's Guide* <http://preventexpulsion.org>
- Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA): *Reducing Early Childhood Expulsion and Suspension* <http://ectacenter.org/topics/expulsion/expulsion.asp>

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- American Academy of Pediatrics: *Caring for Our Children, Standard 2.2.0.8: Preventing Expulsions, Suspensions, and Other Limitations in Services*

<http://cfoc.nrckids.org/StandardView/2.2.0.8>

- Zero to Three: *Preventing Expulsion from Preschool and Child Care*

<https://www.zerotothree.org/resources/series/preventing-expulsion-from-preschool-and-child-care>

- NAEYC: *Standing Together Against Suspension and Expulsion in Early Childhood*

<http://www.naeyc.org/suspension-expulsion>

- The Pyramid Model Consortium: *Suspension and Expulsion*

<http://www.pyramidmodel.org/resource/suspension-and-expulsion>

### V. Guidelines Definitions and Policies, Documentation, Data Collection

- Transforming School Discipline Collaborative <http://www.transformschooldiscipline.org/>

- SRI International: *Preventing Suspensions and Expulsions in Early Childhood Settings – A Program Leader’s Guide* <http://preventexpulsion.org>

- Walter Gilliam: *Implementing Policies to Reduce the Likelihood of Preschool Expulsion (2008)*

<https://www.fcd-us.org/implementing-policies-to-reduce-the-likelihood-of-preschool-expulsion/>

- US Department of Education: *Guiding Principles: A Resource Guide for Improving School Climate and Discipline* <https://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/school-discipline/guiding-principles.pdf>

- Pyramid Model Behavior Incident Report systems and guides

<https://challengingbehavior.cbcs.usf.edu/Implementation/data/index.html>

### VI. Inclusion/Early Intervention/Early Childhood Special Education

- ExceleRate Illinois, Inclusion of Children with Special Needs

<http://www.excelerateillinoisproviders.com/resources/resources-by-standard?id=52>

- Illinois Early Intervention <https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=31889>

- Illinois Early Childhood Special Education <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/early-childhood-special-education-services.aspx>

- Early Intervention Training Program “Natural Partners” series

<https://eitp.education.illinois.edu/>

- Early Intervention Clearinghouse Resource Guides <http://eicclearinghouse.org/resources/guides/>

- Early CHOICES <http://www.eclre.org/>

- Illinois Early Learning Project <https://illinoisearlylearning.org/>

- Illinois STARnet <https://www.starnet.org/>

- Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children (DEC): *Position Statement on Challenging Behavior and Young Children* <https://www.dec-sped.org/position-statements>

### VII. Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation

- Illinois Children’s Mental Health Partnership (MIECHV): <http://icmhp.org/icmhp-in-action/projects/maternal-infant-early-childhood-home-visiting-miechv-consultation-project/>

- Caregiver Connections (child care): <https://www.caregiverconnections.org/>

- Action for Children (Cook County): <https://www.actforchildren.org/for-providers/nutrition-wellness-programs/early-childhood-mental-health-program/>

- Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies: <https://www.inccrra.org/about/sdasearch>

- Ounce of Prevention Fund (for Ounce-funded programs): <http://www.theounce.org> (contact Lauren Wiley: [lwiley@ounceofprevention.org](mailto:lwiley@ounceofprevention.org))

- Illinois Association for Infant Mental Health (registry of consultants):

<https://www.ilaimh.org/sign-up-for-the-infant-early-childhood-mental-health-consultant-statewide-registry/>

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- Center for Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation (Head Start/Early Head Start):

<https://www.ecmhc.org/>

- SAMHSA, The Center of Excellence for Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation

<http://www.samhsa.gov/iecmhc>

### VIII. Mental Health, Social Emotional Learning, & Trauma

- Illinois Association for Infant Mental Health <http://www.ilaimh.org>

- Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership <http://www.icmhp.org>

- Illinois Childhood Trauma Coalition <http://www.lookthroughtheireyes.org>

- Erikson Institute <http://www.erikson.edu>

- The Ounce of Prevention Fund <http://www.theounce.org>

- Child Trends: *What Works for Reducing Problem Behaviors in Early Childhood: Lessons from Experimental Evaluations* <https://www.childtrends.org/publications/what-works-for-reducing-problem-behaviors-in-early-childhood>

- The Center on the Social and Emotional Foundations for Early Learning (CSEFEL)

<http://csefel.vanderbilt.edu/>

- The Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning (CASEL) <http://www.casel.org/>

### IX. Parents/Caregivers /Family Engagement

- ISBE Family Engagement Framework <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Family-Engagement-Framework-Guide.aspx>

- Head Start Parent Family Community Engagement Framework

<https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/school-readiness/article/head-start-parent-family-community-engagement-framework>

- SEDL: A Dual Capacity-Building Framework for Building Family School Partnerships

<http://www.sedl.org/pubs/framework/>

- Administration of Children & Families, Office of Planning, Research, & Evaluation: *Measure of Family and Provider/Teacher Relationship Quality (FPTRQ)*

<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/opre/research/project/development-of-a-measure-of-family-and-provider-teacher-relationship-quality-fptrq>

- Administration of Children & Families/Health & Human Services: *Compendium of Parenting Interventions*

[https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/e cd/compendium\\_of\\_parenting\\_interventions\\_911508.pdf](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/e cd/compendium_of_parenting_interventions_911508.pdf)

- US Department of Education: *I Have a Question...What Parents and Caregivers Can Ask and Do to Help Children Thrive at School: A Parent Checklist* <https://www2.ed.gov/documents/family-community/parent-checklist.pdf>

- National Black Child Development Institute: *Parent Power Bootcamp Call to Action Toolkit*

<https://www.nbcdi.org/nbcdi-parent-power-bootcamp-call-action-toolkit>

### X. Program Quality

- ExceleRate IL <http://www.excelerateillinois.com/>

- Infant Toddler Specialists & Quality Specialists at Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies

<https://www.inccrra.org/about/sdasearch>

### XI. Pyramid Model

- Illinois Pyramid Model Partnership <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/OECD/Pages/Pyramid-Model.aspx>

- National Center on Pyramid Model Innovations (NCPMI) <http://www.challengingbehavior.org>

- NCPMI resources on Suspension and Expulsion

<https://challengingbehavior.cbcs.usf.edu/Pyramid/suspension.html>

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- Pyramid Model Consortium <http://pyramidmodel.org>
- Pyramid Model Consortium: *Expelling Expulsion: Using the Pyramid Model to Prevent Suspensions, Expulsions, and Disciplinary Inequities in Early Childhood Programs*  
[http://www.pyramidmodel.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/expelling\\_expulsion.pdf](http://www.pyramidmodel.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/expelling_expulsion.pdf)

### XII. Reflective Learning/Practice Groups

- Illinois Association for Infant Mental Health <https://www.ilaimh.org/reflective-practice-groups/>
- Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership <http://icmhp.org/icmhp-in-action/projects/reflecting-learning-groups/>
- The Ounce of Prevention (for Ounce-funded programs) <http://www.theounce.org> (contact Hannah Jones-Lewis: [hjoneslewis@ounceofprevention.org](mailto:hjoneslewis@ounceofprevention.org))

### XIII. Training, support, and Professional Development for staff

- Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies <https://www.inccrra.org/about/sdasearch>
- Early Childhood Center of Professional Development <http://www.eclearningil.org>
- Early Choices [www.eclre.org](http://www.eclre.org)
- Erikson Institute <http://www.erikson.edu/>
- Early Intervention Training Program (EITP) <https://eitp.education.illinois.edu/>
- Gateways to Opportunity <http://www.ilgateways.com/>
- Illinois Head Start Association <https://ilheadstart.org>
- Illinois STARnet [www.starnet.org](http://www.starnet.org)
- Illinois State Board of Education <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Topics.aspx>
- The Ounce of Prevention Fund <https://www.theounce.org/what-we-do/professional-development-offerings>
- Town Square <http://townsquareil.org>