

## Technical Assistance Opportunity

**The CT Office of Early Childhood is offering technical assistance focused on Standards, Curriculum, and Assessment; early childhood centers and schools can apply to participate.**

### **What will be offered?**

Programs accepted for this opportunity will receive up to 21 hours of coaching related to Standards, Curriculum, and Assessment. Programs will collaborate with a coach to set the focus and goals for the work and determine which program staff will participate. Coaching may occur in small groups or individually. Staff members engaged in this professional learning opportunity will have priority in registering for OEC sponsored trainings on Standard, Curriculum, and Assessment for the duration of this professional learning opportunity.

### **When will it be offered?**

This professional learning opportunity will take place in winter-spring 2021 and again in fall 2021.

### **Who will provide the professional learning?**

OEC approved trainers and coaches will facilitate the professional learning. Programs will be assigned a coach for the duration of this work. Programs may participate in trainings offered by their coach or another OEC approved trainer.

### **Where will this take place?**

Due to Covid-19, all professional learning will occur virtually for the foreseeable future. We will provide prior notice if the opportunity for onsite training or coaching becomes a safe option during this school year.

### **What should we consider when assessing our program's readiness to apply?**

- Programs must have internet access and the ability for professionals to participate via Zoom. It is preferable for each staff person to access professional learning on a separate computer.
- Programs must be able to release staff of teaching responsibilities to participate in coaching and technical assistance.
- Programs staff must be willing to use the CKCs (Core Knowledge and Competencies for Early Childhood Professionals) in self-reflection and development of individual professional development plans.
- Someone in a leadership position (Director, Asst. Director, Curriculum Specialist, Ed Manager, etc.) must be willing to engage in a portion of the coaching and technical assistance.

