



NOW Innovation Forum Newsletter

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“Though we tremble before uncertain futures, may we meet illness, death and adversity with strength. May we dance in the face of our fears.” - Gloria Ansaldua

Welcome to the March 2022 edition of the [NOW Innovation Forum Newsletter](#). We are excited to share and announce new opportunities, tools, and resources as well as set our intentions for the year ahead of us. Thank you for your commitment to children, families, and communities and for joining us as we journey through another year together.

Bienvenido a la edición de marzo de 2022 del boletín informativo [del Foro de innovación NOW](#). Nos complace compartir y anunciar nuevas oportunidades, herramientas y recursos, así como poner en marcha nuestras intenciones para este año. Gracias por su trabajo continuo y su compromiso para promover el bienestar de los niños y las familias, y esperamos continuar con el trabajo el próximo año.



Network Highlights and Updates



NOW 2022 Webinar Series

The NOW 2022 Webinar Series “*Levers of Change in Action: Unpacking the NOW Playbook*” will kick off on Thursday, March 24th with a session focused on the connections between community food systems, maternal health and justice.

WEBINAR: *Community Food Systems, Maternal Health and Justice*
Thursday, March 24, 2022 @ 1-2pm Eastern

Featured speakers:

- **Tonni Oberly, MPH, CHES, CLC**, Research Scholar, National Birth Equity Collaborative
- **India Hinton, MS, CNS, LDN**
- Moderator: **Ronda Alexander**, Director of National Partnerships, Vital Village Networks

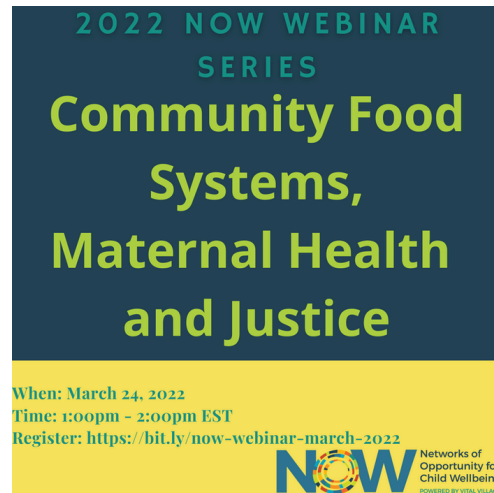
Register Today

NOW Peer Learning Clusters

Are you interested in learning how communities across the country are engaging families in their work or addressing the impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACES) and trauma or building the capacity of the early childhood education workforce?

We invite you to join us on March 23 for the next Peer Learning Clusters meeting where you can explore these topics with other peers.

Learn More Here





Hearing From YOU

What are you reading, watching, and/or listening to this month that's pushing your thinking around how to uplift and protect the dignity of children, families, and communities?

Visit the NOW Innovation Forum to share what you've learned and start a discussion about what this work means for our communities?

Click [HERE](#) to get started.

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Opportunities Across the Village



- **[Rural Public Health Workforce Training Network Program](#)**: Funding to support rural health networks to address the need for more trained health professionals, which has been amplified by the COVID-19 pandemic. The overall program goal is to expand public health capacity by supporting healthcare job development, training, and placement in rural communities. Click [here](#) for more information. Application Deadline: March 18, 2022.
- **[Building Capacity to Advance Racial Equity for Young Children](#)**: Join the Massachusetts Association for Infant Mental Health (MassAIMH) for a free 3-part training series with Dr. Rosemarie Allen. Course begins March 30th and runs through May 17th. Click [here](#) to learn more and register.
- **[No More Martyrs Mental Health Equity and Liberation Summit](#)**: The Call for Proposals is now open for the No More Martyrs Mental Health Equity and Liberation Summit (formerly known as the Minority Mental Health Awareness Summit). We invite you to submit a proposal to present. Priority is given to presentations that feature a licensed mental health professional presenting in partnership with a peer (an individual who identifies as living with a mental health diagnosis). The deadline to submit is Sunday, April 10, 2022. For more information about the 2022 Mental Health Equity and Liberation Summit, please visit: <https://www.nomoremartyrs.org/mhels>
- **[University of South Florida M3 Center on Inclusive and Ethical Leadership](#)**: Free course features 40 TEDx style sessions (10-30 mins) from 50+ experts from all corners of the world covering cutting-edge research and best practices under 8 sections. This is a self-paced, free course in which the participants can start any time and finish by December 31, 2022.
 - Please watch a short tutorial that shows you how to register and enroll in this free course: <https://app.knowmia.com/sppK>. If you have any questions, please email us at certificate@academiacentralmooc.org



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The NOW community hopes to stay connected and lift up the work and stories of all of our members. Follow and tag us on Twitter, [@NOW_WellChild](#) & [@Vital_Village](#), so that we can virtually highlight the community led transformation you are leading.

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