

LIFELONG LEARNING CHILD CARE DIRECTORS' FORUM

Protecting Children Through Strengthening Families

Thursday, April 7, 2011 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

**NOTE
NEW
DATE**

Observe and Respond to Early Warning Signs of Child Abuse or Neglect

Day-to-day interactions between staff, children, and parents provide an important opportunity for program staff to identify concerns early and intervene immediately. Rather than focusing simply on mandated reporting, exemplary programs train and support staff to observe children carefully and respond to the first sign of any difficulty. They use such indicators as frequent absences, missing payments, late pick-ups, or signs of parental stress as opportunities to proactively reach out to families and connect them with family support and other services. Teachers and program staff can be trained to recognize early and subtle warning signs of abuse and neglect and appropriate, helpful responses when an abusive or neglectful situation has been identified.

Instructor: Nicole Shea, Greenville County First Steps
(2 Hours in Professional Development)

DIRECTORS' FORUM REGISTRATION COST \$15

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Place of Employment _____

LUNCH SELECTION: *Sandwich plates are from Classic's Deli*

- Turkey Roast Beef No lunch
 Ham Vegetarian

To register: *Send registration form and payment to:* (Make checks payable to: Lifelong Learning)
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