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# **Exceptional Care** with a Team Approach to Inclusion

Young children thrive and grow in their natural learning environments, including children with developmental differences. Educators play a critical role in creating an inclusive and diverse environment for children to feel a sense of belonging, to feel valued as a member of the classroom, and to feel empowered to learn to their full ability. UnConference: Exceptional Care with a Team Approach to Inclusion dives into the importance of working together—with a collaboration between teachers, intervention specialists and parents/caregivers—to provide this environment for children to learn and grow in differentiated ways yet feel included in the group.

The keynote features Wendy Pardee, President and CEO of The Children's Institute, who will share how they have created a collaborative environment that provides a positive view on early intervention in an effort to bring different parties together in the best interest of the child. Her presentation is followed by a panel discussion featuring an educator, parent, and intervention specialist. Other workshops include: developing an understanding about early intervention, how to work with families, what you need to know during early intervention strategies, how to adapt lessons for different learning abilities and more. 5.5 hours of professional development credit will be offered. Saturday, March 28

8 a.m.–2 p.m.

**Location: The Children's Institute** 1450 Shady Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15217 To learn more about this UnConference, the keynote speaker Wendy Pardee, and the workshop presenters, please visit: http://bit.ly/exceptional-care

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# About Trying Together

Trying Together supports high-quality care and education for young children by providing advocacy, community resources, and professional growth opportunities for the needs and rights of children, their families, and the individuals who interact with them. Trying Together works regionally (in Southwestern Pennsylvania) and takes its expertise and models to statewide and national audiences.

# About The Children's Institute

The Children's Institute of Pittsburgh has been changing young lives since 1902. For more than a century, we have been a leader in the care of children and young adults through healthcare, education, and family enrichment services. Our legacy is built upon supporting early childhood care, and we look forward to partnering with Trying Together for this special spring UnConference on early intervention services.

#### How to Register

Register now to reserve your space! When the workshops are finalized, you will receive an email from Yu-Ling Cheng to select your preferred workshops. We will do our best to place you in your requested workshop, but this is not guaranteed. There is limited space in each workshop and workshop placement is based on the date of your registration, so we recommend you register early. Please register by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 20, 2020. For groups of six or more people, there is a 10% discount. Please email Yu-Ling at conference@tryingtogether.org for more information.

### What Do I Receive?

- 5.5 hours of PQAS/DHS credits and/or Act 48.
- Light breakfast and lunch.
- Networking with colleagues.
- Hands-on, interactive workshop sessions.
- Refreshed or refined thinking about our work with young children.

