Innovation In Early Learning and Health

NCSL Fellows Meeting
December 2, 2011
Foundational Learning Skills

• Focus on Executive Function skills with attention to impacts on learning, behavior and long term health
• Key skills – working memory, self regulation, attention, cognitive flexibility
• Barriers to learning when these skills not in place or behavior challenges
Frontiers of Innovation
Design Elements

Connection
Frontiers of Innovation Community

Acceleration
Innovation by Design Groups
Frontiers of Innovation

Idea groups

FOI Community

Innovating Sites

Innovating States
Early Childhood Innovation Partnership

Center on the Developing Child at Harvard, NCSL, NGA Center for Best Practices, Truepoint Center for High Performance and High Commitment

Focused on the innovating states within broader effort. Using best of science, policy, and practice in order to generate, test, and scale up a new generation of ideas about how to improve young children’s early learning and health outcomes
Innovation Architecture
In Washington

FOI Ideas

WA Sites
Innovating Sites

Washington
Innovating States
Connecting the Early Learning Fellows

• Fellows will be able to join the Frontiers of Innovation community (scientists, researchers, policymakers, practitioners, community sites)

• You will receive an email with instructions for joining the site. The site is not public but will give you inside access to the initiative.

• You can ask questions, write comments, contact particular scientists etc.
Resources

Center on the Developing Child
http://developingchild.harvard.edu/

Team:
NCSL- Steffanie Clothier, Phuonglan Nguyen
NGA Center- Albert Wat, Amanda Szekeley
Center- Tassy Warren, Susan Levene
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