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The Nurturing Care Framework – the Education and Health Nexus

Tuesday, May 12, 2020
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM | Panel Discussion
Online via Zoom

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The Nurturing Care Framework draws on state-of-the-art evidence on how early childhood development can guide the most effective policies and services that will help parents and caregivers provide nurturing care for babies and very young children. The Framework builds on the foundation of universal health coverage, with primary care at its core, as essential for all sustainable growth and development. It articulates the important role that all sectors, including the health sector, must play to support the healthy development of all children to develop optimally and reap maximum benefit from pre-school and formal education. Panelists will each discuss their work with the framework, touching on how education and health intersect. They will also highlight some of the work being done during the COVID-19 pandemic.

ABOUT THE EVENT

Join the Education for Development Workgroup and the Health & Nutrition Workgroup for an exciting panel discussion with experts about the Nurturing Care Framework across the humanitarian to development nexus.

Moderator

Dr. Lara S. Ho, MHS, PhD, RN | Deputy Director, Health Unit, International Rescue Committee

Lara has over been working for over two decades as a public health professional experienced in social/behavioral community-based intervention research and health systems strengthening in refugee and post-conflict settings. Currently based in Washington, DC, Lara has lived and worked in Tanzania, Côte d’Ivoire, DRC, Chad, Myanmar, Sierra Leone, and Switzerland. As the Deputy Director of the Health Technical Unit at IRC, Lara currently manages a team of over 30 Technical Advisors who support a portfolio of projects globally in primary health, environmental health, nutrition, family planning and reproductive health, child health, and health systems, and health research.

Speaker

Dr. Joanie Cohen | Senior Advisor for Literacy and School Readiness, Creative Associates International

Joanie Cohen has over 25 years’ experience working in international and community development primarily in the education sector. Her expertise includes program design and development, monitoring and evaluation system development, qualitative and participatory approaches to development and evaluation, staff and organizational capacity building. She has focused her work in the areas of adult and nonformal education, basic education, adult literacy, early literacy/early grade reading and early childhood education programs primarily in Latin America and the Caribbean as well as domestically. Additionally, Joanie has taught graduate and undergraduate courses focusing on International Education, Training Design and Facilitation and Early Childhood Education. Joanie holds a M.Ed. in International Education and an Ed.D. in Educational Policy, Research and Administration from the Center for International Education at University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Joanie currently serves as the Senior Advisor for Literacy and School Readiness at Creative Associates International.

Speaker

Matthew Frey | Director, Global Integrated ECD/Nurturing Care Program, PATH

Matthew Frey has over 25 years of global health technical and leadership experience in Asia, Africa, and the Caribbean. He studied public health and development studies at Columbia University. Matthew lived and worked in Nepal, Haiti and Vietnam for nearly 20 years, much of that time with Save the Children as a Program Advisor and Country Representative—directing and supervising all aspects of program development, strategic and operational planning, government representation, and management and administration. Additionally, he designed and oversaw innovative programs in maternal and child health, nutrition, early childhood development (ECD), HIV, micro-finance and disaster preparedness. Matthew has also been a consultant on child-focused programs with FHI, the Asian Development Bank, the World Bank, Population Services International, and UNICEF, among others.

In 2010, Matthew joined and worked successfully to expand global markets for micronutrient fortified rice. Matthew also assumed the leadership of PATH’s early childhood development (ECD) program and expanded it from a small pilot into a multi-donor, global initiative to integrate ECD services and policies for the youngest child into health, HIV and nutrition platforms. Matthew recently served on the global management group that designed and developed the Nurturing Care Framework launched at the World Health Assembly in May 2018. Matthew played an important role in bringing country level health sector experiences to the global stage to influence and shape the Framework. Matthew has spearheaded the creation of a nurturing care regional partnership with WHO and UNICEF to support country contextualization and roll out of the Nurturing Care Framework. Concurrently, he has led successful efforts to raise the profile of health sector ECD integration with a range of donors to promote investment in integrated ECD.

Speaker

Erin Milner | Senior Nutrition Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning Advisor, USAID

Erin Milner is a Senior Nutrition Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning Advisor at USAID where she leads integrated nutrition and early childhood development initiatives and manages multi-sectoral nutrition programs. She has 13 years of international experience designing and implementing nutrition, early childhood development, and health projects. Prior to joining USAID, Erin led research in Kenya on nutrition linkages with ecosystems, food security, WASH, and early childhood development. She has held various nutrition-sensitive agriculture oriented consultancies and directed several environmental health monitoring and evaluation programs throughout Sub-Saharan Africa. Erin also served in the Peace Corps in rural Ghana for over two years. She holds a Ph.D in Environmental Health Sciences with a focus on Public Health Nutrition from the University of California, Berkeley.
Speaker

Katie Murphy | Senior Technical Advisor, Early Childhood Development, International Rescue Committee (IRC)

Katie is the Senior Technical Advisor for Early Childhood Development at the International Rescue Committee and has over fifteen years experience working in the field of early childhood development, education and sustainable development. Katie began her career as a Peace Corps Volunteer in El Salvador, where she lived in a rural community for 2 years teaching and developing health education and income generation projects. She began working with the IRC in 2005 as the education manager in Chad, supporting Darfuri refugees to build and improve educational and recreational programs for children and youth. Katie served as the Deputy Director of the Global Master's in Development Practice Secretariat at the Earth Institute at Columbia University and returned to work at the IRC in 2015, and served as the technical lead for the design of the Ahlan Simsim program, which received the inaugural 100&Change award from the MacArthur Foundation. Currently a PhD candidate at the University of Pennsylvania, Katie has conducted research in early childhood development in Central America, Ecuador, India, Lebanon, Kenya, Mexico and Thailand.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **MAY 13**
  **From Crisis to Opportunity - the Role of the Media in COVID 19 Era**
  Special Event | Online via Zoom | 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

- **MAY 14**
  **COVID-19: The Rise of Food Insecurity at Home and Abroad**
  Workgroup Event | Online via Zoom | 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

- **MAY 21**
  **Resilience and Adaptability in the Job Search***
  Network Event | Online via Zoom | 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

- **MAY 28**
  **The future of project implementation in international development**
  Chapter Event | Online via Zoom | 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

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