

Youth Program Quality Research: National Findings and Local Implications May 1, 2009

Learning Objectives:

- Hear findings from national and Minnesota studies on youth program quality
- Understand implications for improving program quality and organizational settings
- Gain insight on levels of quality based on Minnesota data
- Learn strategies to improve program quality

The Morning Schedule

- 8:30-9:00 Breakfast and networking
- 9:00-9:15 Welcome by Dr. Dale Blyth, U of M Extension Center for Youth Development
- 9:15-10:15 National YPQI Research Findings:
Dr. Charles Smith, David P. Weikart Center for Youth Development
- 10:15-10:35 Minnesota Data:
Dr. Dale Blyth and Deborah Moore, Extension's Youth Work Institute
- 10:35-10:55 Table Discussions & Question Generation
- What is one thing you heard today that really struck you and why?
 - What are you doing right now to support and improve youth program quality?
 - What is one thing that could help you do more to improve quality?
 - What could stakeholders and systems do to support program quality improvement?
- 11:30-11:50 Panel of Local Stakeholders including:
David Gagne, Urban Boatbuilders, Inc.
Sheila Oehrlein, Minnesota Department of Education
Jack Tamble, Minneapolis Community Education
Maureen Walsh, Youth Program Consultant
- 11:50-12:00 Morning Wrap-up and Introduction to the Afternoon Sessions by Laura LaCroix-Dalluhn, Youth Community Connections

Lunch and afternoon sessions continue at the Radisson Hotel

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- Learn about funding streams that support out-of-school time programming in Minnesota
- Hear findings from national and Minnesota cost studies and understand implications for quality improvement
- Learn strategies to improve program quality
- Hear from national researchers on youth program quality

The Afternoon Schedule

Held at the Radisson adjacent to McNamara Alumni Center

- 12:00-1:00 Lunch at the Radisson—Ballroom A & B
- 1:15-2:15 Breakout Session #1
- 2:30-3:30 Breakout Session #2

All breakout sessions will be repeated.

- Funding Streams Report—Ballroom A
Featuring: Sheila Oehrlein, Minnesota Department of Education
Ellen Bracken, Minnesota Department of Education
Heather Vinge Hanson, Access Philanthropy
Steve Peprocki, Access Philanthropy
- National and Minnesota Cost Study—Ballroom B
Featuring: Laura LaCroix-Dalluhn, Youth Community Connections
- Conversation on the Research—Faculty Room E
Featuring: Dr. Charles Smith, David P. Weikart Center for Youth Development
Dale Blyth, University of Minnesota Extension, Center for Youth Development
- Program Quality Improvement: from the trenches—Nolte Room L
Featuring: Deborah Moore, Youth Work Institute
Colleen Sanders, Minneapolis Community Education
Colleen McLaughlin, Phosphorescence, Inc.

3:30 Event Concludes



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