



Office for Refugees
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Department of
Early Education and Care

A REGIONAL TRAINING SERIES

New Start

Supporting Multilingual Children and Immigrant & Refugee Families

More than 1 in 4 children in Massachusetts under age 6 live in households that speak a language other than English. In order to prepare children in immigrant and refugee families from birth to school readiness, a focus on early learning for these children and meaningful engagement of their parents and communities is essential. This new regional training series, presented in partnership with the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy (MIRA) Coalition, will equip providers, stakeholders and other professionals with knowledge on immigration policy, cultural competency, and child development and educational principles in the context of multilingual homes and multicultural environments.

The Spring 2015 Regional Trainings will be held in the following dates and locations:

Friday, March 27, 9:30AM – 4:00PM EEC Office, Taunton

Saturday, May 16, 9:30AM – 4:00PM Public Library, Worcester

Friday, May 29, 9:30AM – 4:00PM Middlesex Comm. College, Lowell

Friday, June 12, 9:30AM – 4:00PM Berkshire Comm. College, Pittsfield

Each full-day session includes the following content:

- ABC's of Immigration Law and Policy
- Immigration Status & Access to Benefits
- Working with Dual Language Learner Children and Families
- Cultural Competency and Family Engagement
- Being a Resource for Immigrant and Refugee Families



**All trainings are free of charge, 45 minutes is scheduled for lunch; food will not be provided*
***Professional Development Hours and CEUs are available for EEC Providers and Social Workers.*

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED VIA
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