



## Region 11 Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Community of Practice

Sponsored by Regional Low Incidence Projects – Region 11

**Virtual Meeting: April 19      9:00 – 11:30 AM**

*Zoom Meeting Link will be sent to registered participants on April 15, 2022*

### **Agenda Topics**

#### **9:00 – 9:30 AM      Welcome and Introductions**

- SPRING is coming! What are you most looking forward to this spring?

#### **9:20 – 9:30 AM**

- Plans for the Morning
- Three Highlighted Resources:
  1. [Exploring Communication Opportunities for Children with Hearing Differences: An Overview \(Dec 2020\) \(Hmong\) \(Somali\) \(Spanish\)](#)
  2. [Letter for Families of Young Children with Hearing Differences, MDE/Low Incidence Projects \(Aug 2019\) \(Hmong\) \(Somali\) \(Spanish\)](#)
  3. [EHDI CoP Resources for Encouraging Children's Use of Hearing Technology](#) (Shared EHDI CoP Google folder)

#### **9:30 – 10:00 AM      Review of 2021-2022 Region 11 EHDI CoP Goals and Activities; Planning for 2022-2023**

- 2021-2022 Activities Highlights:
  - Expanding to include additional members from Region 11 school districts
  - Parent-to-Parent Supports: MN Hands & Voices, program and staffing changes; collaboration opportunities
  - Resources to share with families to encourage full-time use of hearing technology
  - Documenting Hearing Status/OAE discussions
  - EHDI CoP Member Resource Sharing
- 2022-2023 Group Goal Planning:
  - Kathy Anderson retirement August 31, 2022; New Region 11 EHDI CoP Facilitator
  - CoP Member Discussion of new goals, professional development needs/requests, activities

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**10:00 – 10:10 PM Break**

**10:10 – 11:20 AM Parent Panel Sharing, MN Hands & Voices Parent Guides:**

Anne Barlow - Director MNHV; Elena Miranda - Spanish Community Parent Guide; Yia Yang - SE Asian Community Parent Guide; Jeanette Shaw - Metro Area Parent guide, African American community

- Handout: Topic questions previously shared with panel participants as discussion starters

**11:20 – 11:30 AM Closing**

**Upcoming Professional Development Opportunity: May 16, 2022, Statewide Regional EHDl Teams Spring Meeting** (virtual through Zoom); Dr. Amy Szarkowski, Guest Speaker.

- Educational Audiologists, Regional EHDl CoP members and invited to participate along with assigned statewide MN Regional EHDl Team members.
- [Registration Link](https://metroecsu.myquickreg.com/register/event/event.cfm?eventid=16603)  
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**MN Low Incidence Projects Statewide EHDl Specialist position posting:**

Metro ECSU is posting for .5 FTE (130 days) *Statewide Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Specialist*. Qualified individuals are encouraged to apply. Please see either of the links below:

- <https://www.metroecsu.org/aboutUs/employment.html>
- <https://www.mnlowincidenceprojects.org/AboutUs/employment.html>

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