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**Measuring and Improving Child and Family Outcomes**

**Conference**

**New Orleans, LA**

**Preconference Workshop**

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**9:00 – 9:15 Welcome – Overview – Introductions**

**9:15 – 10:15 Technology Applications for Training and TA**

**(Decisions, Decisions, Decisions!)**

When designing professional development activities, how can we decide which technology/platform will be the best choice for our specific audience, topic, purpose, and timing? This discussion will explore a few ways to categorize applications and some key questions that might be useful.

***Featured TA Program Spotlight:***

Sarah Nichols, Illinois Early Intervention Training

**10:15 – 10:30 Break**

**10:30 – 11:00 Topical Sharing**

***Featured TA Program Spotlights:***

* **Mentoring & Coaching Strategies:** MI Professional Development and the Mentoring Initiative

Christine Callahan, Early On Michigan Training and TA

<http://eotta.ccresa.org/PDTools.php>

* **Assessment and Intervention:** WI Statewide TA Approach for Early Childhood Assessment Practices

Linda Tuchman-Ginsberg, Wisconsin Personnel Development Project

<http://www.collaboratingpartners.com/professional-development-about.php>

<http://www.collaboratingpartners.com/curriculum-assessment-about.php>

**11:00 – 11:50 Small Group Topical Discussions – Conversation Corners**

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| **TOPICS**   * Assessment and Intervention * Mentoring/Coaching Strategies * Evaluating Impacts of TA * Technology Decisions * RTI in EC * Other Hot Topics | **QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:**   * What work have you done in this area? * How is it going? * What might you do differently? * Which technology, if applicable did you choose and what informed your decision-making? |

**11:50 – Noon Final Discussion Highlights**

**State TA Systems Networking**

<http://nectac.org/statetasystems/default.asp>