

**Partnership Working Agreement
between
Florida Expanding Opportunities Professional Development Workgroup (EX OP)
AND
Florida Early Care and Education Professional Development Initiative (PDI)**

Purpose:

The purpose of this partnership working agreement is to outline the commitment of Florida Expanding Opportunities Professional Development Workgroup members and Florida Early Care and Education Professional Development Initiative Steering Committee members to work together to build a cross-sector early care and education professional development system in Florida. Both organizations are working to advance quality early care and education professional development through establishment of core competencies for the variety of professionals working in the field, linkage of core competencies to training and education, establishment of cross-sector training and education opportunities that infuse competence for inclusion in early care and education settings, development of quality assurance mechanisms for trainers and training entities, maximization of funding for training and education, and development of an integrated professional development system.

Responsibilities:

The Members of the Florida Expanding Opportunities Professional Development Workgroup and Florida Early Care and Education Professional Development Initiative Steering Committee agree to:

- ◆ Participate in at least two joint meeting / conference calls annually
- ◆ Share resources and information regarding early care and education professional development system building
- ◆ Seek input and utilize recommendations from respective partners on projects of shared concern
- ◆ Provide updates on work plan progress
- ◆ Work cooperatively and professionally to advance children's issues in Florida.

This Partnership Working Agreement is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2010, between the Florida Expanding Opportunities Professional Development Workgroup and the Florida Early Care and Education Professional Development Initiative.

, Facilitator EX OP

, Facilitator, PDI