

**PAT Professional Development - Conference on the Young Years
Thursday, March 10, 2016 @ Tan-Tar-A Resort, Lake Ozark MO**

(Registration information for this training opportunity is available [HERE.](#))

(You may choose one presentation from each of the four 1-hour “mini” sessions.)

10:00 am - 11:00 am

That’s Gross

Take a look into gross motor development and the importance of children developing healthy habits for life with the focus on a “Strong body, strong mind.”

Block Heads

Join other ‘block heads’ discussing and demonstrating the importance of block play for young children. We will focus on parenting behaviors and child development centered around this important aspect of play.

Float Like A Butterfly, Sting Like a Bee

Social/emotional development can lead parents wondering what’s coming next. Join us as we explore the often rapid mood changes of toddlers and preschoolers. We’ll reflect on ways to help support parents and children as they navigate the behavior minefield.

Penelope 101

Come and learn some basics about Parents as Teachers new data system, Penelope. We will discuss how to input family information, fill out the planning guide and the personal visit record, and discuss some reports you can pull. We will also have a Q and A session, so bring your questions and we will try to answer as many as possible.

11:15 am - 12:15 pm (Repeat of the above sessions)

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12:15 pm - 1:30 pm Lunch Break (*On your own*)

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Pinch, Poke and Grab Your Way to Building Fine Motor Skills

One of a baby's strongest interests is to explore objects with their hands and eyes together. Join us as we explore how this interest, using fine motor skills, will lead to kindergarten readiness skills such as using scissors and holding a pencil.

Tune In and Talk

Using the Foundational Curriculum to empower parents to "tune in and talk" to their children. This session will be interactive using the curriculum looking at language development, prenatal through 36 months.

We Are Having a Baby...So, Now What?

Do you need ideas to help with delivering prenatal development in the family visit setting? Join in this session and receive ideas on sharing prenatal growth and development, development-centered parenting topics and family well-being issues to expectant dads and moms.

Identifying Atypical Behaviors in Children Birth to 3 Years

The role of a home visitor is multifaceted and recognizing atypical behaviors of infants and toddlers is no exception. This session will offer home visitors key considerations for identifying atypical behaviors. Participants will learn about the identification of atypical behaviors and how this can be part of the referral and eligibility determination for the First Steps program.

2:45 pm - 3:45 pm (Repeat of the above sessions)

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4:00 pm - 5:00 pm PAT Café Celebration (*Parasol I*)