

**Appendix E:
Meeting Agenda**

A Working Meeting on Recent School Readiness Research: Guiding the Synthesis of Early Childhood Research

AGENDA

Tuesday, October 21

October 21-22, 2008

Washington Plaza Hotel,
Washington, DC

Washington Room



8:30 - 9:00 am Registration

9:00 - 9:30 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

Martha Moorehouse, Office of the Assistant Secretary for
Planning and Evaluation

Mary Bruce Webb, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation

Anne Wolf, Abt Associates Inc.

Jane Knitzer, National Center for Children in Poverty

**9:30 - 11:45 am Examining Children's School Readiness Outcomes:
Effects of Enhancements to Early Childhood Programs**

Moderator: Barbara Goodson, Abt Associates Inc.

Presenters: Carolyn Layzer, Abt Associates Inc.

Approaches to promoting children's school readiness: A review of federally-funded research initiatives aimed at improving young children's language and literacy skills in early education and care settings. Paper written by Linda Caswell and Yeqin He

C. Cybele Raver, New York University

Promoting children's socioemotional development in contexts of early educational intervention and care: A review of the impact of federally-funded research initiatives on young children's school readiness

Herbert Ginsburg, Teachers College, Columbia University and
Margaret Clements, Education Development Center, Inc.

School Readiness and Early Childhood Education: What Can We Learn from Federal Investments in Research on Mathematics Programs? Paper written by Herb Ginsburg, Ashley Lewis, and Margaret Clements

Respondent: Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, Teachers College, Columbia University



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National Center for Children in Poverty
Brooklyn School of Public Health
Columbia University

11:45 - 1:30 pm

Lunch (*on your own*)

1:30 - 3:00 pm

Perspectives on Using Research to Improve Programs

Moderator:

Deborah Leong, Metropolitan State College of Denver

Presenters:

Beth Rous, University of Kentucky

Graciela Italiano-Thomas, Consultant

Thomas Schultz, Council of Chief State School Officers

3:00 - 3:15 pm

Break

3:15 - 5:00 pm

**Strategies for Professional Development of the Early Childhood Workforce:
What are we Learning from Research?**

Moderator:

Ivelisse Martinez-Beck, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation

Presenter:

Lisa Klein, Hestia Advising

A Synthesis of Federally-Funded Studies on School Readiness: What Are We Learning About Professional Development? Paper written by Lisa Klein and Deanna Gomby

Respondents:

Bob Pianta, University of Virginia

Kathryn Tout, Child Trends

Wednesday, October 22

8:30 - 8:45 am **Welcome and Plan for the Day**

8:45 - 11:00 am **Approaches to Measuring and Narrowing the School Readiness Gap**

Moderator: Stephanie M. Jones, Harvard University

Presenter: Jean Layzer, Belmont Research Associates
Closing the Gap in the School Readiness of Low-Income Children

Respondents: John Love, Mathematica Policy Research
Peg Burchinal, Frank Porter Graham Child Development Institute

11:00 - 11:15 am **Break**

11:15 - 12:15 pm **Synthesis of Themes and Next Steps**

Moderator: Martha Moorehouse, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation

Presenter: Marty Zaslow, Child Trends

12:15 - 12:30 pm **Final Remarks**

Anne Wolf, Abt Associates Inc.

Jane Knitzer, National Center for Children in Poverty

