



Elevate | Early Learning Conference

Request for Proposal

**Greater Tacoma Trade and Convention Center
Tacoma, WA
September 25-26, 2018**

Child Care Aware of Washington is inviting presenters to submit workshop proposals for the 2018 **Elevate Early Learning Conference**. This year's **Elevate Early Learning Conference** will focus on how relationship-based practitioners and program administrators can support sustainable quality improvement work in early learning. Using [Washington's relationship-based professional development competencies](#) as a guide, we will cultivate the strategies, skills and knowledge that we expect of professionals who are engaged in building the capacity of other adults.

Session Tracks

- Leadership
- Adult Learning
- Strength-based Relationship Building
- Mechanics of Coaching (ex: goal setting and planning, use of assessment and documentation)
- Change Process
- Communication

We expect all proposals to explicitly connect how the information shared in the session will support sustainable quality improvement work in early learning programs, and to explain how the presenter(s) will embed cultural responsiveness into their session.

[Click here to see the program from last year's event.](#)

Session Length

A typical session will be two hours long. There will be a limited number of longer workshops that extend over two session times (4 hours in length).

Session Format

We are looking for presenters who can bring their content to life by using interactive adult-learning strategies, and will provide session participants with an opportunity to share their perspectives, effective practices and big ideas. If you have an idea for a technical workshop or a reflective practice session, we strongly encourage you to submit a proposal.

Presenter Honorarium

Lead presenters of each session will receive an honorarium. The Child Care Aware of Washington staff honorarium is \$300, other presenters will receive \$400 to cover travel expenses. Complimentary full-conference registration will be available to all presenters. There can be up to two additional co-presenters for each session.