

Smart Start Network Supports for Sustainable & Impactful Local Partnerships

NCPC's mission is to advance a high quality, comprehensive, accountable system of care and education for each child in North Carolina beginning with a healthy birth. In order to achieve this mission, NCPC is working to ensure our goal of supporting local partnerships in being impactful and sustainable. This document shows the variety of ways in which the Smart Start Network is convening, listening, learning, and creating together as a Network to increase impact and sustainability. As needs and resources change across the Network, so will the support options to local partnerships.

How NCPC supports Local Partnerships



Facilitate
& Convene



Listen
& Share



Curate
& Create

The ways NCPC offers support to the Network



Learning
Together



Tools & Knowledge
Sharing



One-on-One
Support



New ED Onboarding - 1st Year ED's

NCPC supports new Executive Directors throughout the first year and matches new EDs with a Smart Start ED Mentor.



LP Board Development Support - LP Boards

NCPC supports local partnership board development by producing quarterly LP Board e-mails; presenting "What's Your Charge," a presentation on Smart Start's history, board responsibilities and roles; and providing additional information as needed.



Smart Start Network Calls - LP ED's & Staff

Smart Start Network receives emerging and ongoing information that impacts their work and/or communities.



Legislative Network Calls - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC shares information with Smart Start Network about legislative processes and decisions that will impact the Early Childhood System.



NCPC Trainings - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC leads, hosts, and provides training in a variety of content areas that include: Fiscal trainings, data evaluation and implementation, IT How To's and more.



Evaluation TA - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC works with local partnerships to ensure better use of data. Support may include data review, evaluation site visits, and technical assistance.



Strategic Initiatives TA - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC supports Smart Start Network with initiatives, leading grant funded cohorts, providing technical assistance, and supporting the work at the local level.



Communications, Marketing, Branding, and Event TA - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC supports local partnerships through on-going TA which includes branding, event, promotional, and messaging support.



The Smart Start Connection Newsletter - Network & Public

NCPC shares information, stories, and resources and promotes the work of the Smart Start Network.



Fiscal, Contracting, & Monitoring Support - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC supports local partnerships with ongoing fiscal, contracts, and monitoring support as well as with training and technical assistance.



Open Network Hours - LP ED's, Staff & Boards

Topics around Family Support, Early Care and Education, IT, Resilience, Learning & Evaluation.



Advisory Groups - LP ED's & Staff

DART, DPIL Advisory Committee, Allocation Methodology Workgroups, Smart Start Network Racial Equity Workgroup, and more!



Shared Services - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC cultivates shared services for the Network such as the NC Center for Nonprofits Network Membership, network-wide Etapestry access, MAC site support, and other similar network wide services.



Early Childhood Events Page on LPC - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC provides a Network wide events page for professional development to all local partnership staff.



Learning & Evaluation Tools - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC offers the Smart Start Community Indicators Dashboard, which provides data on early childhood indicators down to the census-tract level; an EBEI Catalog with a list of evidence-based, evidence-informed programming; and other data and evaluation tools to local partnerships.



Smart Start Conference, Home Visiting & Parenting Education Summit - Network & Public

NCPC facilitates the sharing of cutting-edge information and resources to vested audience while promoting the work of the Smart Start Network.



Social Media - Network & Public

NCPC shares information, stories, and resources and promotes the work of the Smart Start Network on various social media platforms.



Network Email Communication - LP ED's & Staff

Smart Start Network receives emerging and ongoing information that impacts their work and/or communities



Content Specific Newsletters - LP ED's & Staff

Supports the development of local partnership skills and knowledge through internal newsletters such as: *Dollars & Sense* (Fiscal newsletter) *EcoSystems* (ECS Newsletter).



Program Officer TA - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC supports local partnership system-building and local coordination through on-going general and strategic support through an assigned Program Officer.



Learning Central Courses and Video Archive - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC hosts Learning Central, a professional development platform for local partnerships. This platform is continually being updated to fit Network needs.



Quarterly & Regional LPAC Meetings - LP ED's

Description: NCPC Supports local partnerships by attending regional and quarterly LPAC meetings to share Network wide goals and initiatives.



Information and Technology TA - LP ED's & Staff

NCPC supports local partnerships through on-going IT support as well as through the maintenance of Smart Start Network wide IT platforms.