

WCW 2018 Embracing Our Diversity: Intervening Early in Every Community

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Welcome

- To our conference
- To our city
- To our county
- To our state
- To our country

- Where are YOU from?

This year's conference

- Pay attention to young children and their caregivers
- Pay attention to people who have not been easily or readily served by our ECMH system of care

Our Country

- Historically, we have a difficult time adjusting to new people coming to our area
 - We learn about each other and evolve
- This year's conference is focused on learning about each other
 - What is unique and different
 - What is similar and common to all families

Personal

- I moved here from Wisconsin in 1989 (California)
- My family moved to the US from Norway and Sweden (and a bunch of other places) in the late 1800's
- I am the 5th generation to be in this country
- I am lucky, San Diego is used to us Norwegians from Wisconsin!

Important

- San Diego is still getting used to other people
 - Immigrants
 - Refugees
 - People with other cultural backgrounds
 - People with other gender identification
 - People from unique backgrounds
- We wish to help us all learn and evolve

**We wish to embrace what is different and
what is similar, because we see the need to
intervene early in Every Community**

We all want our children to develop
well, live well, be safe, be educated, be
successful, and be connected with
others

**The opportunity to be healthy,
happy, and successful is the great
promise of our society**

This conference strives to support this
opportunity, this right, because we
believe we all do better when we are all
doing well (Live Well, San Diego!)