

# ***Parent Education in the Metroplex: Best Practices, Best Results***

A one day conference @ SMU on

July 15, 2009

## Schedule

**9:00 Coffee, juice, fruit, & bagels**

**9:30 Plenary Session: Welcoming Comments**

- George Holden, Ph.D., SMU
- Marion Underwood, Ph.D., Center for Children and Families, UTD
- Arminta Jacobson, Ph.D., Center for Parent Education, UNT

**10:00 Plenary Panel #1: Best Practices & Innovative Ideas**

- “Professional Development for Parent Educators”- Arminta Jacobson, Ph.D., UNT
- “The READY Method: A Video-Based Approach to Enhancing Caregiver Sensitivity” Margaret Owen, Ph.D., & Cynthia Frosch, Ph.D. UTD
- “Best Practice Approaches for Building Effective Parent Education Programs” Steve Green, Ph.D., Texas A&M, College Station
- Discussion

**11:30 Lunch & Networking (Umphrey Lee Cafeteria)**

**1:00 Plenary Panel #2: Best Results: Evaluation**

- “Evaluating your program” Sujata Desai, Ph.D., The Family Place, Dallas
- “Practical Solutions to Common Challenges in Program Evaluation” Steve Green, Ph.D., Texas A&M
- Discussion

**2:00 Small group meetings: Next steps**

**2:40 Final Plenary Session: Group Reports & Closing Comments**

**3:00 Adjournment**