



Benchmarks' Partnering for Excellence (PFE)
4th Annual Conference
Call for Presentations
September 11 and 12, 2019
Hawthorne Inn & Conference Center
420 High Street, Winston Salem, NC.

Benchmarks' Partnering for Excellence (PFE) redesigns the local child welfare/behavioral health system, changing the way DSS, LME/MCOs, local providers and the wider community understand the need for accessible, appropriate health services for children, youth and families who have experienced potentially traumatic events. By acknowledging the impact that adverse experiences and adverse environments have on communities, cross sector approaches can be developed that collaborate on sustainable and replicable answers to developing healthy communities.

At this conference, participants will:

- Learn how cross sector projects have been incubated to increase resiliency efforts by community agencies;
- Understand the long-term impact of adversities and appropriate responses;
- Discover the way aligning resources and wrapping services can improve outcomes for families;
- Gain knowledge about trauma-informed and evidence-based services for families and youth; and
- Interact with colleagues in your local area who are also working to create a trauma- and resiliency-informed response.

We are seeking creative and innovative presentations for our breakout sessions on September 12th. Any presentations from child-serving or family-serving systems which focus on trauma, resilience, and/or social determinants of health are welcome. Please share your innovative work with this dynamic group of participants. Here are some topics that would be a great fit for presentations:

- Poverty
- Community disruption
- Housing
- Domestic violence
- Physical, emotional, or sexual abuse
- Maternal depression
- Criminal justice
- Discrimination
- Lack of mobility or social capital
- Violence
- Substance abuse
- Physical or emotional neglect
- Mental illness

Applications are due June 14th. Please complete the online application [here](#).