**Children’s Screen Time Action Network Inaugural Conference**

**April 20 & 21, 2018**

**Boston, Massachusetts**

 **Request for Proposals**

The inaugural conference of the Children’s Screen Time Action Network will bring together practitioners, educators, and advocates working with families to reduce children’s use of digital devices. It is the first national gathering dedicated to reducing children’s screen time.

At the conference, professionals from a wide variety of fields will learn about the latest research on children and media, share strategies and best practices for working with families to reduce screen time, and lay the groundwork for future collaborations.

We are seeking proposals for session presentations and workshops that a) enhance participants’ understanding of children’s use of screen media, and the effects on children’s wellbeing, relationships, and learning; and/or b) give participants specific strategies and skills for working with families to reduce screen time. We also seek proposals from individuals who wish to lead working groups that will continue collaborating after the conference. For example: A group of teachers may advocate for screen guidelines in schools; a psychologist’s work group may create a protocol about communicating with families around screen limits.

*Please submit proposals via email to* *screentime@commercialfreechildhood.org**.* *Special consideration will be given to presentations, workshops, and workgroups with a focus on reducing screen time in low-income families and communities of color.*

**Presenter Information**

Name:
Date:
Title:
Organization:
Address:
Email:

**Presenter Options**

I would like to be considered for one or more of the following roles in the conference:

\_\_ Session Presenter

\_\_ Work Group Leader

\_\_ Roundtable Discussion Leader

\_\_ Panel Member

My proposed session/work group is intended for (check all that apply):

\_\_ Early Childhood Professionals

\_\_ Educators

\_\_ Child Care Providers

\_\_ Medical Professionals

\_\_ Mental Health Professionals

\_\_ Literacy Specialists/Librarians

\_\_ Public Health Advocates

\_\_ Parent Educators

\_\_ Parents/Grandparents/ Concerned Caregivers

\_\_ Other

**Recommended Session or Discussion Topic: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Summary (250 words maximum)**

Please provide a summary of your proposed session or work group. Please be sure to include specific takeaways and skills you hope participants will learn from your session. If you are proposing a work group, please be sure to describe specific project and plans for continuing your group’s work beyond the conference.