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2017 Annual Forum

In association with the Tennessee Education Research Alliance

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Nashville, Tennessee
July 26-28, 2017*

“Testing the Boundaries of Our Thinking: Promoting Continuous Improvement in RPPs”

<p>WEDNESDAY, JULY 26 // 4 PM - 8:30 PM Marriott Vanderbilt Parthenon Ballroom</p> <p>WELCOME...LET’S GET TO WORK! Let’s come together, welcome everyone new and returning, and start our journey towards exploring what “continuous improvement” means for our work</p>	
Time	Session
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	<p>2017 NNERPP Annual Forum Official Kick-Off: “Setting the Context: Where have we been?” <i>Full group presentation and discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Paula Arce-Trigatti, <i>NNERPP</i> ● Erin O’Hara, <i>Tennessee Education Research Alliance</i> ● Ruth López Turley, <i>Houston Education Research Consortium</i>
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	<p>“Getting to Know You: Why are you here?” <i>Ice breaker activity</i></p>
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	<p>“Sharing Theories of Action: Why and how do you do what you do?” <i>Team design and gallery walk</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jim Kohlmoos, <i>NNERPP</i>
6:00 pm - 6:30 pm	<p><i>Close and transition to Vanderbilt dinner location</i></p>
6:30 pm	<p>“Celebrating Collaboration: What’s it look like in TN?” <i>Group dinner and conversation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Erin O’Hara, <i>TERA</i> ● Candice McQueen, Commissioner, <i>Tennessee Dept. of Education</i> ● Nate Schwartz, <i>Tennessee Dept. of Education + TERA</i>

THURSDAY, JULY 27 // 7:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Marriott Vanderbilt Parthenon Ballroom and adjoining breakout rooms

Focusing on RPP METHODS

Let's learn, share, and create the tools, techniques, and strategies we use to do the work we do

Time	Session		
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Group breakfast and consultations		
8:30 am - 9:45 am	<p>“Examining the Approaches: How are we the same, how are we different?” <i>Full group panel and discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim Kemple, <i>Research Alliance for NYC Schools</i> (moderator) • Paul Cobb, <i>Vanderbilt + MIST Project</i> • Kylie Klein, <i>UChicago Consortium</i> • Chris Mazzeo, <i>Education Northwest + REL Northwest</i> • Ash Vasudeva, <i>Carnegie Foundation</i> 		
9:45 am - 10:00 am	<i>Break</i>		
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THURSDAY, JULY 27 // 1:30 PM - 8:30 PM

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Focusing on RPP APPLICATIONS

Let's learn, share and workshop problems of practice and research topics

Time	Session
1:30 pm - 2:45 pm	<p>“Exploring Problems of Practice: What are your most pressing problems of practice and how can research help?”</p> <p><i>Small group issue chats</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Caitlin Farrell, <i>National Center for Research in Policy & Practice</i> (moderator)• All participants from agencies administering education
2:45 pm - 3:00 pm	<p><i>Break</i></p>
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	<p>“Exploring Research Topics: What can we do together?”</p> <p><i>Small group topical huddles</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Main ballroom: Postsecondary studies (Brian Holzman, <i>HERC</i>)• Breakout A: Early childhood education (Matt Holsapple, <i>Spencer Foundation</i>)• Breakout B: Teacher-related (Jeff Archer, <i>Knowledge Design</i>)• Breakout D: Special populations (Alyssa Blanchard, <i>TERA</i>)• Breakout E: Other topics (Michele McLaughlin, <i>Knowledge Alliance</i>)
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	<p><i>Break</i></p>
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm	<p>“Democratizing Evidence in Education: How to expand and diversify evidence production and use for those that need it the most?”</p> <p><i>Full group panel discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vivian Tseng, <i>William T. Grant Foundation</i> (moderator)• Faith Connolly, <i>Baltimore Education Research Consortium</i>• Beth Glenn, <i>Education Justice Network</i>• Nicole Patton-Terry, <i>Urban Child Study Center</i>
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	<p><i>Break and consultations</i></p>
7:00 pm	<p>“Making Music Together”</p> <p><i>Full group dinner in Nashville</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stoney River Restaurant 3015 West End Ave. (615) 340-9550

FRIDAY, JULY 28 // 7:30 AM - 12:30 PM

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Shaping The Future

Let's look to the future -- What should we focus on? How can we shape it?

Time	Session		
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast and consultations		
8:30 am - 9:45 am	<p>“Assessing Effectiveness: How do we get better at getting better?” <i>Full group panel discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rekha Balu, <i>MDRC</i> (moderator) ● Tom Brock, <i>Institute of Education Sciences</i> ● John Easton, <i>Spencer Foundation</i> ● Norma Ming, <i>San Francisco Unified School District</i> ● Ruth Lopez Turley, <i>Houston Education Research Consortium</i> 		
9:45 am - 10:15 am	<i>Break and check out</i>		
10:15 am - 11:00 am	<p>“Looking to the Future: What’s on the horizon?” <i>Small group discussions</i></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="440 932 1468 1339"> <tr> <td data-bbox="440 932 984 1339"> <p><u>“Building the Field: How do we sustain and scale RPPs?”</u> (Main ballroom)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ilene Berman, <i>Annie E. Casey Fdn.</i> ● Carla Stevens, <i>Houston Indep. School District + HERC</i> ● Beth Tarasawa, <i>NWEA + Multnomah Partnership</i> ● Kyo Yamashiro, <i>Los Angeles Education Research Institute</i> </td> <td data-bbox="984 932 1468 1339"> <p><u>“Implementing ESSA: What are the implications and roles for RPPs?”</u> (Breakout room E)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jim Kohlmoos, <i>NNERPP</i> (moderator) ● Ray Hart, <i>Council of Great City Schools</i> ● Sarah Kerr, <i>Results4America</i> ● Carrie Phillips, <i>CCSSO</i> ● Bill Penuel, <i>R+P Collaboratory</i> </td> </tr> </table>	<p><u>“Building the Field: How do we sustain and scale RPPs?”</u> (Main ballroom)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ilene Berman, <i>Annie E. Casey Fdn.</i> ● Carla Stevens, <i>Houston Indep. School District + HERC</i> ● Beth Tarasawa, <i>NWEA + Multnomah Partnership</i> ● Kyo Yamashiro, <i>Los Angeles Education Research Institute</i> 	<p><u>“Implementing ESSA: What are the implications and roles for RPPs?”</u> (Breakout room E)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jim Kohlmoos, <i>NNERPP</i> (moderator) ● Ray Hart, <i>Council of Great City Schools</i> ● Sarah Kerr, <i>Results4America</i> ● Carrie Phillips, <i>CCSSO</i> ● Bill Penuel, <i>R+P Collaboratory</i>
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11:00 am - 11:45 am	<p>“Building a Strategic Vision: How can NNERPP best serve you?” <i>Job-alike group discussions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Room B: Michèle Foster, <i>University of Louisville--Jefferson County Public Schools</i> ● Room A: Jeff Grigg, <i>Baltimore Education Research Consortium</i> ● Room D: Joy Lesnick, <i>School Dist. of Philadelphia + PERC</i> ● Room E: Paula Palmer, <i>Minnesota Dept. of Ed. + REL Midwest</i> 		
11:45 am - 12:30 pm	<p>“Plotting the Course: What’s next for all of us?” <i>Large group “popcorn” comments</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jim Kohlmoos, <i>NNERPP</i> ● Erin O’Hara, <i>TERA</i> ● Ruth López Turley, <i>HERC</i> ● Paula Arce-Trigatti, <i>NNERPP</i> 		
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