

FIRST ANNUAL 2023 Social Services & Education Professionals Symposium



SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

TIME	SESSION	ROOM	PRESENTER (S)
8:00-8:30 a.m.	Registration and Networking		
8:30-8:40 a.m.	Welcome Remarks		
8:40-10:10 a.m.	Workshop Session #1		
	Resilience and Trauma-Informed Interactions with Youth	101	Hirsh-Wright
	Building Relationships and Community through Crew	102	Bernstein
	Applying NASW Competencies for Social Workers	201	Coccoma
	Professional Self-Care: Create Your Own Self-Care Plan	104	Anderson & Diggins
10:10-10:20 a.m.	Break		
10:20-11:50 a.m.	Workshop Session #2		
	Are You Filling Yourself with the Whole Pizza Pie?	102	Nickerson & Nickerson
	Keeping Our Expectations High Using Trauma and Resilience Informed Teaching and Learning (TRITL) Principles	201	Gorrivan
	Grief and Loss	104	Diggins & Jones
	Poverty-Informed Practice with Individuals and Families	101	Sawyer
11:50 a.m.-1:20 p.m.	Lunch		
12:30-1:20 p.m.	Keynote Speaker (During Lunch)		
1:20-2:50 p.m.	Workshop Session #3		
	Restorative Learning in the Age of COVID	201	Zelaya-Floyd & Conant
	There's a Book for That: Children's Literature as a Resource	101	Guerrette
	Engaging and Motivating Alternative Learners at the Middle Level	102	Whitaker
	Professional Self-Care: Create Your Own Self-Care Plan	104	Anderson & Diggins
2:50-3:00 p.m.	Break		
3:00-3:30 p.m.	Report Out and Closing		



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AYESHA HALL, MS SP, KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Ayesha Hall, MS SP is a civic leader, and youth and mental health advocate with a passion for systems reform and cooperative economics and The Director of Strategic Partnerships for the Maine State Department of Education as of April 2023. She is the former Social Emotional Learning and Equity Resource Coordinator for Lewiston Public School District . She studied psychology at Clemson University in South Carolina, receiving her Bachelor of Arts in 2004. Her minor studies in Cultural Anthropology and research on Positive Psychology inspired a curiosity for the dynamics of learning, and the influence of culture on the learning process.

After several years of working in the nonprofit sector of New York City, assisting and directing children's programs for inner city youth, Ayesha chose to enhance her knowledge in the field of Psychology to make a more significant impact on the lives of the children and families she supported.

Although she began her master's level studies in mental health counseling, her passion for mental health support in schools shifted her focus to research and evaluation; which led to her certification as a School Psychologist in 2010.

Ayesha has since utilized the comprehensive school psychologist skillset to serve schools, community agencies, and families in a wide range of demographic settings throughout the North East Region, to ensure that students' needs are supported, and educators have the agency to support them."

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