

**The ZERO TO THREE Policy Center and the Child Care Bureau invite you  
to join us for a Webinar**

***“What Implications Do Quality Rating and Improvement Systems  
Hold for Infant/Toddler Care?”***

**September 29, 2008**

**2:00 – 3:15 pm eastern (1 pm central, 12 pm mountain, 11 am pacific)**

Over the past several years, research and practice have taught us the importance of quality care for infants and toddlers. Many states have developed standards/guidelines that provide specific structures to implement high quality enriching environments for infants and toddlers. The National Infant & Toddler Child Care Initiative @ ZERO TO THREE, a project of the Child Care Bureau, convened an Issues Meeting in May 2008 to identify key issues to consider when developing Quality Rating and Improvement Systems (QRIS) that are inclusive of infants and toddlers. This webinar will outline the discussion and recommendations from participants at the Issues Meeting. Two CCDF Administrators will share their perspectives on implications for their states' QRIS.

**Agenda:**

- Opening Remarks and Background  
**Kathie Boling**, State Program Specialist  
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- Issues in Making QRIS Inclusive of Infants and Toddlers  
**Marty Zaslow**, Vice President for Research  
Early Childhood Development  
Child Trends, Inc.
- State Perspectives on What an Infant/Toddler Focus Means for Their QRIS  
**Linda Saterfield**, Bureau Chief  
Bureau of Child Care and Development  
Illinois Department of Human Services  
  
**Elizabeth Kelley**, Director  
Maryland State Department of Education  
Division of Early Childhood Development
- Challenges and Potentials: **Marty Zaslow**
- Question and answer with webinar participants
- Closing Remarks: **Kathie Boling**