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Hello Quality Matters Programs!

My name is Nelly Orantes. I am so excited to be your Quality Matters coach! I will be here to support you in the process of quality Improvement. I believe that we can do a great job together, and that the children will benefit from our hard work.

I have been working with children for more than 9 years, as a Family Childcare Provider, Teacher, and Preschool Center Director. I have a bachelor's degree in Human Development, specializing in Early Childhood Education from CSU, East Bay. Additionally, I am a CLASS and ECERS assessor. I want to share with you all my knowledge and techniques to make your job easy and enjoyable.

I have a passion to work with different kind of people. I really enjoy being helpful and supporting others. I am looking forward to learning more about you, your team and your program. See you soon!



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Hello Quality Matters Programs!

Monica Joseph is the Quality Improvement Manager at CocoKids Resource and Referral agency in Contra Costa County. Monica has built her platform of raising healthy, resilient young children by supporting the Early Childhood workforce.

Monica holds a B.A. in Early Childhood Education and a M. A. in Leadership with a concentration in Coaching and Facilitation from Saint Mary's College in Moraga.

Monica's passion is to make sure that children's development is supported through high quality care so that they grow into happy and influential adults that continue to support early childhood growth.



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Hello Quality Matters Participants!

My name is Linda Frazier-Stafford. I am excited to be your Quality Matters coach for the 2018-2019 school year. As a coach, I am able to assist you as you develop your goals for working with children and families. I am excited about supporting you and your team as we reflect on and identify areas of strengths and take your program's growth to the next level. It is a pleasure to partner you on your journey to quality.



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My name is Kim Stadtlander and I am excited to be your Quality Matters coach. I have a passion for working with professionals in the field of early learning, and I am here to provide support to you and your program as you navigate through the quality improvement process.

I have been working as the Quality Improvement Coaching Coordinator for 3 years. I've been a coach for 8 years and have worked in the early childhood field for over 30 years.

I believe that high quality learning environments create a positive lifelong impact on children. Our coaching relationship will provide opportunities for you to reflect on your practice, identify your strengths, and think about ways you want to grow. On a personal note, I enjoy walks in nature, travel, and time with family. I look forward to meeting you and learning and growing with you as we embark on the quality improvement journey.



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Hello and Welcome to Quality Matters!

My name is Francisca Hernandez. I've worked in early child care for more than 20 years. I have been lucky enough to work in a variety of settings and experience different preschool philosophies. I hope this knowledge can be valuable to you as you begin this journey with us.

Coaching can support you in many ways through the quality improvement process, including: on site visits, technical assistance, and shared reflection.

Thank you for opening your homes/schools to our approach in quality improvement we are committed to serving you.



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My name is Deanna Carmona and I am excited to be your Quality Matters coach. I have a passion for working with professionals in the field of early childhood and I am here to provide support to you and your program as you navigate through the quality improvement process.

I have been working as a coach for over 5 years and have been in the early childhood field for over 13 years. I have a bachelor's degree in Human Development with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education from CSU, East Bay and hold a Master Teacher Permit.

A few things about me: I have a strong belief in lifelong learning, enjoy helping others, and have quite the sweet tooth. I look forward meeting you and your team and learning and growing with you as we embark on the quality improvement journey.



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