

# BIRTH PARENT NATIONAL NETWORK

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## Virtual Convening

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### *Opportunities for Parent Voices to Transform Systems*

The Birth Parent National Network's (BPNN) third virtual convening is set for November and December 2017. BPNN members and keynote speakers will share new ideas and strategies to create opportunities for parent voices to improve policies and practices impacting children and families nationwide.

#### Two 2-Hour Sessions in November and December

- 1 **Thursday, November 30, 2017 – 10AM to 12PM PT**
- 2 **Tuesday, December 5, 2017 – 10AM to 12PM PT**

#### Keynote Presentations from National Leaders

The convening will feature a series of keynote presentations from distinguished national leaders using a webinar format.

#### In-Depth Learning Workshops

During the in-depth learning workshops, BPNN members will discuss trends and possibilities in prevention and child welfare reform and how parent voices can make a powerful positive difference – individually and collectively.

#### Join the BPNN and Register for Virtual Convening

Join us now and share this information with any organizations and individual parents who may be interested in becoming a BPNN member to take advantage of this virtual convening and other opportunities to learn and connect. To learn more about the BPNN – a dynamic national network of more than 200 birth parents and organizations – visit [bpnn.ctfalliance.org](http://bpnn.ctfalliance.org). To join the BPNN, submit your membership application at [bpnn.ctfalliance.org/applications](http://bpnn.ctfalliance.org/applications).

#### VIRTUAL CONVENING GOALS

- Share and learn about new ideas and resources that states and local communities are using to effectively support parent partnerships in policy and systems reforms.
- Develop knowledge and discuss strategies to support parents in speaking with policymakers to shape policies and practices that affect children and families.
- Hear from keynote speakers on national trends, national initiatives and research about ways parents can share their ideas and develop solutions with staff, key community stakeholders and policymakers on preventive practices and policies that strengthen families and communities.

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# Virtual Convening Agenda

## Opportunities for Parent Voices to Transform Systems



There will be time for questions and answers at the end of each presentation. All times listed are Pacific Time Zone (PT).

### Thursday, November 30, 2017 – 10AM to 12PM PT

**FOCUS:** What Parents Say About...What Works in Substance Abuse Recovery to Strengthen Protective Factors in Families and Ensure Children's Safety and Well-Being.

**10:00–10:20AM Welcome and Introduction to the Virtual Convening**

- Corey B. Best (FL) and Suzanne Sellers (IL)  
BPNN Virtual Convening Co-Facilitators

**10:20–11:00AM Keynote Presentation**

- Dr. Nancy K. Young, Executive Director  
Children and Family Futures
- **Topic:** What Works: Supporting Families  
Affected by Substance Use Disorders

**11:00–11:25AM Parent Presentation**

- China Darrington (OH) and Amanda Williams  
Cruce (FL)  
Birth and Foster Parent Partnership
- **Topic:** Birth Parents and Foster Parents  
Partnering Together to Create Positive  
Changes in Policy and Practice

**11:25–11:50AM Parent Presentation**

- Corey B. Best (FL) and Toni Miner (CO)  
Birth Parent National Network
- **Topic:** Building and Sustaining Strong  
Recovery Communities through Prevention  
Strategies

**11:50AM–12:00PM Closing Comments and Wrap-Up**

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### Tuesday December 5, 2017 – 10AM to 12PM PT

**FOCUS:** What Parents Say About...Prevention Strategies that Work to Keep Families Together, Resilient and Strong.

**10:00–10:15AM Welcome and Introduction to the Virtual Convening**

- Michael Huesca (CA) and Shana King (MN)  
BPNN Virtual Convening Co-Facilitators

**10:15–11:00AM Keynote Presentation**

- Robert Sege, MD, PhD  
Chief Medical Officer, Health Resources in  
Action
- **Topic:** Balancing Adverse Childhood  
Experiences (ACEs) With HOPE: New Insights  
into the Role of Positive Experiences on  
Child and Family Development

**11:00–11:25AM Presentation**

- Martha Reeder, Senior Associate  
National Alliance of Children's Trust and  
Prevention Funds (Alliance)
- Kara Georgi (NY), Co-Chair  
Alliance National Parent Partnership Council
- **Topic:** Let's Talk about Preventing Child  
Neglect

**11:25–11:50AM Presentation**

- Jim McKay, Public Policy Director  
National Alliance of Children's Trust and  
Prevention Funds
- Victoria Hilt (WA), Co-Chair Elect  
Alliance National Parent Partnership Council
- **Topic:** Strategic Messaging to Build a  
Prevention-Oriented Society

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