Childcare for All

The Public Health Case for Universal Preschool in Boston



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Boston's Child Health Study shows that resources are lacking for a large number of our children. Thirty-three percent of children under age 5 in Boston, a majority of which are children of color, have experienced one or more adverse childhood events-the most frequent of these events being financial insecurity, making the cost of high quality childcare out of reach for most low income parents.

Are We Crazy About Our Kids? is one of the supporting episodes of the forthcoming California Newsreel documentary series, THE RAISING OF AMERICA: Early Childhood and the Future of Our Nation. The episode explores the utilitarian argument for investing in high quality early care and education: it pays for itself, several times over. Science has demonstrated that a child's experiences during the earliest years are vital to building the foundation for life-long individual success – in school and in life.

Join us to view this segment of the documentary, which will be followed by a discussion of how to engage all stakeholders in supporting the move to provide universal, high quality childcare in Boston.

Please <u>click here</u> to register by September 27th Coffee and light refreshments to be provided.

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