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Leadership and Early Years Professionalism: Jennie Lindon 2012-01-19 Leadership and Early Years Professionalism will help you to understand the skills that leadership requires and how best to apply these skills in an Early Years context. An accessible introduction to the subject, this book will help you to understand the key theoretical aspects of early years leadership and practice. Written in an accessible style, the book offers a clear and straightforward account of the key issues and debates. Leadership and Early Years gives you a comprehensive and authoritative overview of this important area of Early Years. This book is part of Jennie Lindon's 'Linking Theory and Practice' series, which aims to provide accessible and clear summaries of the latest research in Early Years and Childhood Studies for both students and practitioners.

Leadership in Early Childhood Build, Jillian 2012-12-05 Leadership in Early Childhood is a practical resource for early childhood practitioners who want to understand how to create successful children and early education settings.

Professionalization, Leadership and Management in the Early Years: Linda Miller 2011-09-08 With the rapid change experienced by the Early Years Workforce in recent times, this book is timely and relevant. The value of leadership in early years settings is explored, along with the importance of leadership development and understanding of early years practitioners at various stages of their professional development. It drives attention to key themes and issues. Chapters are written by leading authorities, providing case studies, question and discussion points to facilitate critical thinking. Topics covered include: - constructions of professional identities - men in the early years - multi-disciplinary working in the early years - the early years leadership and policy - written in an accessible and relevant to all levels of early years courses, the book is highly relevant to those studying at Master's level, and has staggered levels of Further Reading that encourage reflection and progression.

Effective and Caring Leadership in the Early Years: Jennie Lindon 2012-01-19 This book introduces an intriguing juxtaposition of "caring" alongside "effective", and it is a thought-provoking book on how early years leaders can transition from traditional leadership roles to more collaborative, empowering and pedagogical leadership offers readers opportunity to reflect upon their own leadership practices. This is a key text for anyone studying leadership that are firmly based in research and professional experience. ' - Professor Margaret Carr, University of Waikato, New Zealand Effective and caring leadership is a thought-provoking book. Including examples of early years leaders on their own reflective learning journeys, it provides a rich source of ideas for relational leadership practice and shows you how to apply these skills for the benefit of children and families. The book covers key concepts about learning and ways to promote continued professional development in the workplace. This book offers practical advice for individual professionals and also explores the dynamics of reflective practice within teams. This book is divided into sections on reflective practice and professional leadership, and explores current research, and yet links this information closely to best practice with young children and families. The content and style of the book has been developed to support students on Early Childhood degree programmes, Early Years Foundation Degree courses, practitioners working towards Early Years Professional Status and also experienced senior practitioners extending their professional development and that of their teams.

Leading in Early Childhood: Geraldine Davies 2010-05-08 Leadership in the early years is about using your knowledge, skills, personal and experience to positively enhance the experiences and learning of the young children you work with. This book provides a theoretical framework to understand the role of the leader and the implications for practice which enables readers to consider the different roles and responsibilities of leaders within teams. The book takes a fresh approach to the early years leadership and management construct and provides a valuable resource for early years practitioners. This is a comprehensive guide to the role of the leader and offers useful insights into the leadership role and provides a structure to guide both leaders and practitioners in their role. This book is part of Jennie Lindon's series 'Linking Theory and Practice'. The established approach provides accessible descriptions of relevant theory and research, and shows you how to apply these skills for the benefit of children and families. The book covers key concepts about learning and ways to promote continued professional development in the workplace. This book offers practical advice for individual professionals and also explores the dynamics of reflective practice within teams. This book is divided into sections on reflective practice and professional leadership, and explores current research, and yet links this information closely to best practice with young children and families. The content and style of the book has been developed to support students on Early Childhood degree programmes, Early Years Foundation Degree courses, practitioners working towards Early Years Professional Status and also experienced senior practitioners extending their professional development and that of their teams.

EBOOK: Reconceptualizing Leadership in the Early Years: Ray Dowdlock 2012-01-18 "This book has the potential to do for nursery nurses what Michael Fullan's work did for schools. It would make an excellent part of leadership training offered from accounts of early years professionalism, an attitude of care is advocated as the central characteristic leaders. At the same time, Clark and Murray challenge the traditional explanation for this attitude amongst practitioners in terms of female nurturing, presenting it instead as non-gendered terms as a function of ethical character and commitment. With their concepts of catalytic agency, reflective integrity and relational interdependence, the authors provide an intellectual justification for something that many early years professionals already do. Leadership in the early years is about using your knowledge, skills, personal and experience to positively enhance the experiences and learning of the young children you work with. This book provides a theoretical framework to understand the role of the leader and the implications for practice which enables readers to consider the different roles and responsibilities of leaders within teams. The book takes a fresh approach to the early years leadership and management construct and provides a valuable resource for early years practitioners. This is a comprehensive guide to the role of the leader and offers useful insights into the leadership role and provides a structure to guide both leaders and practitioners in their role. This book is part of Jennie Lindon's series 'Linking Theory and Practice'. The established approach provides accessible descriptions of relevant theory and research, and shows you how to apply these skills for the benefit of children and families. The book covers key concepts about learning and ways to promote continued professional development in the workplace. This book offers practical advice for individual professionals and also explores the dynamics of reflective practice within teams. This book is divided into sections on reflective practice and professional leadership, and explores current research, and yet links this information closely to best practice with young children and families. The content and style of the book has been developed to support students on Early Childhood degree programmes, Early Years Foundation Degree courses, practitioners working towards Early Years Professional Status and also experienced senior practitioners extending their professional development and that of their teams. This book introduces an intriguing juxtaposition of "caring" alongside "effective", and it is a thought-provoking book on how early years leaders can transition from traditional leadership roles to more collaborative, empowering and pedagogical leadership offers readers opportunity to reflect upon their own leadership practices. This is a key text for anyone studying leadership that are firmly based in research and professional experience. Effective and caring leadership is a thought-provoking book. Including examples of early years leaders on their own reflective learning journeys, it provides a rich source of ideas for relational leadership practice and shows you how to apply these skills for the benefit of children and families. The book covers key concepts about learning and ways to promote continued professional development in the workplace. This book offers practical advice for individual professionals and also explores the dynamics of reflective practice within teams. This book is divided into sections on reflective practice and professional leadership, and explores current research, and yet links this information closely to best practice with young children and families. The content and style of the book has been developed to support students on Early Childhood degree programmes, Early Years Foundation Degree courses, practitioners working towards Early Years Professional Status and also experienced senior practitioners extending their professional development and that of their teams.

Professionalism in Early Childhood Education: Stephanie Feeney 2012-08-16 "Written for those entering the field or striving to grow within the profession, early childhood care leader and author, Dr. Stephanie Feeney helps readers understand the nature of the profession, what it means to behave in a professional way, and where they stand in their own professional journey in her newest resource, Professionalism in Early Childhood Education: Doing Our Best for Young Children. She devotes chapters to moral and technical competence and explains what the terms professionalism and competent mean. Complete with self-assessments and first-accounts guides, Dr. Feeney guides readers in understanding what it means to be an educator who embodies the highest standards of professionalism in their work with children, families and colleagues. "-Publisher. Managing Early Years Settings: Alison Rhinos 2008-11-13 "This book is a very useful resource for setting leaders undertaking advanced study, such as Early Years Professional Status and the National Professional Qualification in Integrated Centre Leadership... It is also an interesting and up-to-date reference tool for qualified managers and leaders of early years settings, large and small, in all sectors. 'Early Years Update' Through discussion points and case studies, the authors explore the key skills and techniques necessary to effectively lead and manage an early years setting - Nursery Education Plus, as part of their 'Ten of the Best early years books! This book will make a relevant and helpful contribution in enabling practitioners to explore and understand the different ways in which they can lead and manage across a diverse range of settings and at different levels. Through helpful discussion points and case studies, the book will encourage practitioners to reflect upon their own leadership practice in relation to their current role and the value of qualifications. Written by an experienced practitioner and a well regarded and respected figure in the field, this book will appeal to nursery and nursery manager leaders, with its focus on bringing greater clarity and value to the role of the nursery leader. This book is part of Jennie Lindon's series 'Linking Theory and Practice'. The established approach provides accessible descriptions of relevant theory and research, and shows you how to apply these skills for the benefit of children and families. The book covers key concepts about learning and ways to promote continued professional development in the workplace. This book offers practical advice for individual professionals and also explores the dynamics of reflective practice within teams. This book is divided into sections on reflective practice and professional leadership, and explores current research, and yet links this information closely to best practice with young children and families. The content and style of the book has been developed to support students on Early Childhood degree programmes, Early Years Foundation Degree courses, practitioners working towards Early Years Professional Status and also experienced senior practitioners extending their professional development and that of their teams. This book introduces an intriguing juxtaposition of "caring" alongside "effective", and it is a thought-provoking book on how early years leaders can transition from traditional leadership roles to more collaborative, empowering and pedagogical leadership offers readers opportunity to reflect upon their own leadership practices. This is a key text for anyone studying leadership that are firmly based in research and professional experience. Effective and caring leadership is a thought-provoking book. Including examples of early years leaders on their own reflective learning journeys, it provides a rich source of ideas for relational leadership practice and shows you how to apply these skills for the benefit of children and families. The book covers key concepts about learning and ways to promote continued professional development in the workplace. This book offers practical advice for individual professionals and also explores the dynamics of reflective practice within teams. This book is divided into sections on reflective practice and professional leadership, and explores current research, and yet links this information closely to best practice with young children and families. The content and style of the book has been developed to support students on Early Childhood degree programmes, Early Years Foundation Degree courses, practitioners working towards Early Years Professional Status and also experienced senior practitioners extending their professional development and that of their teams.
challenges the assumption that an early childhood manager does not require specialist knowledge or skill and discusses which attributes an effective manager should possess. It is an essential resource for early childhood educators and professionals, including leaders and practitioners working in early childhood settings, and those involved in the development and implementation of early childhood policy and practice. The book is structured to provide a comprehensive overview of the key components of leadership, including the roles and responsibilities of early childhood managers, the importance of effective communication, and the need for ongoing professional development.

By combining an in-depth analysis of the latest research with practical examples and case studies, the text offers readers a clear and engaging guide to the challenges and opportunities of leadership in the early childhood sector. With its focus on developing a deep understanding of the essential skills and concepts required for effective leadership, this book is an indispensable resource for anyone working in early childhood education and care.