



Roslyn Edwards, Director Early Childhood Education Programs

Roslyn Edwards is the Director of Early Childhood Education Programs at HopePHL™. Roslyn leads the direction of five early childhood programming teams. She is a seasoned, results oriented professional with extensive, and demonstrated leadership and project management experience. Edwards is a troubleshooter with competencies necessary for startups, turnarounds and effective project development. Much of her career has been spent providing development, monitoring, training, technical assistance and management of federal Head Start and state early childhood programs, particularly focused in low-income communities with particular focus on the Philadelphia area. A competent grant writer, Roslyn's applications have resulted in both federal and private funding towards innovative, cutting edge

programming. One multi-year grant she conceived of and wrote, for PNC's Grow Up Great program was funded and implemented in her Head Start Program and made into an exhibit at the Please Touch Museum in Philadelphia. A team builder and leader at heart, she is skilled at motivating others.

Roslyn is trained in advanced feedback skills and has used these skills in classroom settings at The Perelman School of Medicine (University of Pennsylvania), Cooper Medical School of Rowan University, and Sidney Kimmel Medical College (Jefferson University Hospital), to name a few. Roslyn supported medical school faculty in building students' clinical and conversation skills needed for effective patient interaction.

She is a past graduate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Governor's Institute, and a member of the Office of Child Development and Early Learning's (OCDEL) Early Learning Council. Roslyn has also served many notable roles during her career. She served the federal Head Start/Early Head Start program at the national, regional, and local levels. Her roles included, Federal Peer Reviewer, Consultant for the national Head Start Interim agency, CDI, and Head Start Director, to name a few. She also served as a training and technical assistant specialist for ICF, an international federal contractor, where she specialized in parent involvement and governing board training and technical assistance for Head Start Programs in Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Washington D.C.

Roslyn was educated in the Philadelphia public school system and received a four-year scholarship to attend Wheaton College, in Norton, Massachusetts. There, she earned her BA in Liberal Arts. Roslyn spent one year at Wellesley College during a junior year exchange program.