

# Big Body Play: *Questioning Assumptions*



Presented by: **Frances Carlson, M.S.**

Come learn the realities of rough and rowdy play and why it's so good for children. During the training, you'll learn about the many benefits of this play style for children while dispelling the most common myths and misperceptions about it. This interactive session will help you understand young children's rough body play, the role it has in their overall development, what the realities of this play style are, and how to best support it while they are in your care. A short Q & A will follow the training.

**Frances Carlson** worked as an early childhood program administrator for twenty+ years for a variety of child care programs in the US and abroad. In 2002, she began a career in higher ed. Carlson recently retired from her position as Associate Dean of Professional Services & Design at Chattahoochee Technical College in metro Atlanta (Georgia). Prior to that position, Carlson taught Early Childhood Education to associate degree-seeking students.

She has authored two books: *Essential Touch* (NAEYC, 2006) and *Big Body Play* (NAEYC, 2011) as well as numerous articles in a variety of ECE publications. She is currently authoring a book, *More Than Words* on non-verbal language development in young children. She has a Bachelor's degree in English from the University of North Georgia, and a Master's degree in early childhood education from Concordia University, St. Paul.

**When:** Wednesday, May 15, 2024  
**Where:** Via Zoom, login credentials shared after registration  
**Time:** 6:30-8:00 p.m. program EST (Eastern Standard Time)  
**Cost:** \$30.00 per person

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