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**A Conversation with
Dr. Beverly Lynn
Chief Executive Officer
Programs for Parents, Inc.**

Interviewed by Terri Buccarelli, Exec. Director, NJ-AIMH

**April 24, 2018
2:30 PM – 4:30 PM**

Montclair State University- Feliciano Business School – Room 140

Beverly Lynn has been the CEO of Programs for Parents, Inc. since 2008. PpP is the largest child care and resource and referral agency in the state, serving over 1200 child care providers in Essex County and providing child care financial assistance to over 10,000 children monthly. PpP provides professional development in Early Care and Education and offers training and support services for parents of young children.

Beverly served as the Executive Director of Newark Preschool Council, Inc. (NPC) Head Start Program, overseeing a comprehensive early childhood education program with over 2,400 children and 750 employees. Services were offered in 40 centers throughout the city with extended services in 9 Newark Public Schools. Beverly planned and implemented a \$10 million facilities plan including construction, renovation and acquisition of property. She was the State Child Care Administrator for the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS) for six years, overseeing all federal and state dollars allocated for child care services under the Child Care Development Fund (CCDF). The CCDF provides funding for New Jersey's child care subsidy programs, child care quality initiatives; and contracted centers serving over 90,000 children. She has spoken to local, state and national audiences about the cutting edge and innovative programs offered in New Jersey. As Child Care Administrator with extensive experience in policy and planning, she worked with the Governor's Policy staff and the Department of Education (DOE) officials to design the nationally recognized and state mandated Abbott Preschool Program which included the participation of child care and Head Start programs addressing the educational inequities between urban school districts and their more affluent suburban counterparts.

Beverly is recognized as an innovative leader and effective communicator with more than forty years of progressive public and non-profit sector experience with particular focus on the provision of early education services for infants, toddlers, pre-school and school age children. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Rutgers University and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Baruch College, CUNY, where she was a National Urban Fellow. She is a certified elementary and early childhood educator and is an Ed.D. candidate at Rutgers University.

Ms. Lynn served as a Board member of the Hillside Board of Education for five years, was the former district leader and former member of the Department of Human Services Commissioner's Executive Advisory Council. She was appointed by the County Executive to serve on Essex County Human Services Advisory Council. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, and serves as chair of the Greater Abyssinian Baptist Church, Women's Ministry. She has received numerous awards and citations for her outstanding work in the community, county and state. She is also affiliated with many other community organizations. She has two sons, Al-Tariq and Na'im and five grandchildren, Damon, Ymani, Ibn, Amir and Naledi. ***Infants, children and families are better for the work of Beverly Lynn.***

Light refreshments will be served.

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