



National Immigration Summit

From Harm to Hope: Supporting Kids and Empowering Communities through Advocacy and Practice

September 25 | 1:00 PM ET | 12:00PM CT | 10:00 AM PT

[Register Here](#)

12:00 PM – 12:03 PM

[Welcome Remarks](#)

12:04 PM – 12:19 PM

[Data Profile](#)

Suma Setty, Senior Policy Analyst, Immigration and Immigrant Families, Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP)

12:20 PM– 12:55 PM

[Federal Immigration Policy and Supporting Immigrant](#)

Families: The rapidly changing federal policy landscape presents significant threats to immigrant families and those serving them. This panel of experts on access to health care and benefits, immigration enforcement, and unaccompanied children will answer questions about recent policy changes and also provide actionable steps advocates and providers can take to push for better policies and directly support children and families.

*Moderated by **Wendy Cervantes**, Director of Immigration and Immigrant Families, Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP)*

Rachel Prandini, Managing Attorney, Immigrant Legal Resource Center (ILRC)

Anne Kelsey, Senior Policy Analyst for Disability Rights, Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights

Esther Reyes, Campaign Strategist, Protecting Immigrant Families (PIF)

12:56 PM – 1:21 PM

[Messaging Workshop](#)

Melissa Stek, Advocacy Communications Consultant, MountainGem Advocacy & Communications

1:22 PM– 1:57 PM

[Holding the Line: State Advocates Standing with Immigrant](#)

Families: Across the country, immigrant families are facing harmful state and federal policy changes that threaten their safety, well-being, and ability to thrive. This panel will bring together leading advocates who are resisting these harmful shifts and advancing solutions that strengthen communities. Experts will share strategies from the frontlines of state-level advocacy, highlight successful efforts to block and mitigate damaging policies, and provide



actionable steps that partners and providers can take to support immigrant families in their own states.

*Moderated by **Linda Corchado**, Senior Director of Immigration, CHILDREN AT RISK (C@R)*

Liv Cook, Public School Strong TN Campaign Organizer,
Statewide Organizing for Community eMpowerment (SOCM)

Alison Hard, Director of Public Policy, National WIC Association

Viridiana Marin, East TN Community Organizer, Tennessee
Immigrant and Refugee Rights Coalition

Ninfa Amador-Hernandez, Maryland Policy Manager, CASA

1:58- 2:00 PM

Closing Remarks



Data Presentation:

- Suma, confirmed

Wendy:

Replacing Expert Panel: Interactive panel on messaging and research to date with quick tips for advocates, do a poll on issues + find a good presenter, young center just contracted with Goodwin Simon and look at enforcement on kids more broadly

- Melissa, from CLASP, will explore over the next 2 weeks
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- Look into polleverywhere is great for that!
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Federal Panel

Can't cover everything that's happening, 3 things that are the most child specific or most interesting things to share about, let's come up with a list and narrow it down to 3-4 topics

- Reaching out to PIF this week
- Rachel from the ILRC
- Dr. Trish Perez for Mental Health
- Debby/Debbie from abriendo puertas can be a good speaker
- Priya can also ask The Alliance for Infant Mental Health Person
- TVPRA + urgent action items
- Birthright citizenship
- Data sharing
- Enforcement broadly
- UAC
- Resources to support + do something
- Children's Equity Project + policy brutality
- (<https://cep.asu.edu/resources/SupportingImmigrantChildrenandFamilies>) / <https://cep.asu.edu/resources/SupportingImmigrantChildrenandFamilies>
- https://sesameworkshop.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Comfort_Printable_CareCopeConnect-1.pdf



State

- TN Plyler?, fighting state legislation
 - Statewide Organizing for Community eMpowerment: Liv Cook
 - Update it will be Viri and a second speaker
- Maryland, protected spaces
 - Will be back in office and will confirm
- 287(g) (<https://scaany.org/>) (should be backup to PB)
- Public Benefits
 - To ask Allison (from National WIC) for any state speakers