

**Thank you for your participation, shared learning, and leadership during the 2019 Smart Beginnings Meeting in Richmond.**

**Please complete the following survey by Friday, November 30. Your candid responses and assessment of the conference will help VECF not only plan for 2020, but determine what tools, information and support will be useful to you and your team's efforts in the coming year.**

General Questions

1. What is your role?

- Smart Beginnings Executive Director/Coordinator
- Smart Beginnings Team Member (Leadership Council Member, Fiscal Agent, Community Representative)
- State Agency Staff/Guest
- VECF Staff
- Other

2. Which day(s) of the meeting did you attend?

- Day 1 only
- Day 2 only
- Both days

3. Please rate your experience at the 2019 Smart Beginnings Meeting in terms of usefulness or relevance for you in your role (indicated above).

Wasn't particularly interesting or useful to  
me

Was just OK

Was very useful and productive

4. We are working to continuously improve the services and learning opportunities we provide for you. Please add comments about your overall experience that will guide us to provide similar or better opportunities in the future.

Day One - November 6

5. Please rate and comment on the “Learning From South Hampton Roads’ Work on Equity” session with Jane Glasgow and Cynthia Romero:

Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments:

6. Please rate and comment on the “Looking at Data: Understanding Disparities in Early Childhood” session with Jenna Conway and Vanessa Walker Harris:

Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Did Not Attend
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments:

7. Please rate and comment on the “Reflections on the Day...and Response” with Maurice Jones:

Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Did Not Attend
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments:

8. Please rate and comment on the keynote address (Afira DeVries):

Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Did Not Attend
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments:

Day Two - November 7

9. Please rate and comment on the “Equity and Opportunity: A City’s Perspective” session with Danny Avula, Reggie Gordon and Richard Schultz:

Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Did Not Attend
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments:

10. Please rate and comment on the “It All Starts with Parents: Parents Sharing Perspectives” session:

Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Did Not Attend
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments:

11. Please rate and comment on the “How the Commonwealth Tackles Disparities and Equity: Learning from State Leaders” session with Janice Underwood, Lauren Powell, Monica Smith-Callahan, and Chidi Uche:

Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Did Not Attend
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments:

General Questions

12. Please give us a sense of your baseline awareness of or understanding about issues of racial and economic inequities within your role (indicated above) prior to the conference.

13. Did your attendance at the conference change your views (provide motivation) about approaching your work with an equity lens?

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No

Please explain

14. Did your attendance at the conference impact your capacity (provide tools) to approach your work with an equity lens?

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No

Please explain

15. Is there anything you would like to have seen/heard or thought that we could have done better?

16. If you attended as part of a team, please share at least one of your team's next steps from your action plan

17. VECF understands that this work is a process; we want to continue to grow and to support your growth. If you attended as part of a team, what kind of technical assistance or follow up would you like VECF to provide around this topic in the coming year?

- Regularly scheduled discussions (with option for remote attendance)
- Regularly scheduled mini-trainings with equity and family engagement experts
- In-person peer learning exploration about equity
- One-on-one technical assistance with VECF staff or consultants
- Other (please specify)

18. Please describe information or experiences you found most valuable from participation in this conference. If you attended as part of a team, what was most helpful to you and your team?

19. Did you find the time given for action planning and team work useful?

- Yes
- No
- Other (please specify)

20. Please indicate, the time provided for action planning and team work time was

- The right amount of time
- Too long
- Too little

21. Did you find the time given for networking with Smart Beginnings partners useful?

- Yes
- No
- Other (please specify)

22. Please indicate, the time provided for networking was

- The right amount of time
- Too long
- Too little

23. What was your experience with the parent participation throughout the conference?

- Useful/effective
- Not useful or effective

Please explain

24. Based on your experience hearing from parents at the conference, will you be less inclined or more inclined to include parents in your planning? If so, how?