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Anita Zucker Center for Excellence in Early Childhood Studies (AZC) staff led by Dr. Darbianne Shannon, will work with Dr. Heather Gooze (SCIC PI and Project Director) to sustain and scale-up the SC Child Care Professional Development System including workshops, consultation, and the Anita Zucker Center Practice-based Coaching process (AZC PBC) being implemented by South Carolina Inclusion Collaborative (SCIC) Inclusion Specialists.

The partnership with the Anita Zucker Center includes the following benefits:

- Support informed by over a decade of research experience in planning for, implementing, and evaluating the use of practice-based coaching in a variety of early care and education settings.
- Access to evidence-based measurement tools to evaluate coaches fidelity of implementation of the SCIC PBC protocol and teacher's implementation of targeted teaching practices.
- Guidance to refine coaching procedures and develop job aids to support the SCIC inclusion specialists to implement PBC with fidelity.
- Guidance to develop and integrate the SCIC consultation model.

Main Deliverables:

- AZC staff will hold monthly leadership calls with the SCIC PI and Project Director to increase capacity to sustain and scale-up the implementation of the SCIC Professional Development system.
- Training conducted in collaboration with AZC staff for SCIC Inclusion Specialists, SCIC lead implementation coach (LIC), SCIC PI and Project Director on the SCIC PBC protocol and procedures. Training will include support to help the LIC to plan for and implement with fidelity a 1-day coach booster sessions with SCIC inclusion specialists who have completed the initial training.
- Support for ongoing fidelity of implementation of the SCIC professional development system including: monthly leadership team meetings, workshops, professional learning communities (PLCs), LIC provided fidelity feedback for inclusion specialists on their implementation of practice-based coaching, and the integration of the TORSH Talent to collect coaching and consultation data.
- Provide fidelity feedback and interobserver agreement certification for the LIC and the development of technical assistance materials to support fidelity of implementation of practice-based coaching and the use of TORSH Talent to collect coaching and consultation data.
- Provide a brief semi-annual and annual report describing AZC consultation activities implemented in support of the SCIC professional development system including the LICs annual AZC PBC implementation fidelity certification. Reports will be provided by April 22, 2022 and October 21, 2022.