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MESSAGE FROM BARBARA A. COAXUM, CEO Embarking on 30 Years Young

The ending of 2024 has afforded us the opportunity to reflect on an exciting year of growth and change. We engaged in several new initiatives during the past year. Our Ensuring Equity Resource (EER) Fund, which provided resources and trainings to families and daycares, was one of our strongest programs to date thanks to several funders, including the Seybert Foundation. Our funders and fundraising efforts inspired our slogan: "Because you helped us, we were able to help others."

Now, we're excitedly beginning 2025! In the new year, we're enthusiastically looking forward to a bright future. I can't believe this year will mark the 30th year we've been in business!

While we reminisce on all the work that got us to this point, we're most excited about the events we're planning to celebrate our 30th birthday. As we continue through the year, you'll hear more about our special events, including our family and community activities that will help mark this momentous occasion, so please stay tuned!

For now, enjoy the reflections on the past year that are included in this newsletter. We're eager for you to journey with us in the coming months as we commemorate the past 30 years, so don't forget to follow us on all of our social media platforms!

Barbara A, Coaxum, M.A.C.C.C.-SLP, BCS-F Executive Director



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2024 RECAP

WE HOSTED MANY EVENTS AND NEW INITIATIVES THIS YEAR!



CLICK HERE TO WATCH OUR 2024 END-OF-YEAR VIDEO!

SPRING 2024

- We held our first-ever **Non-Competitive Soccer Clinic** on April 6 and 27, 2024, at Waldron Mercy Academy
- During our **Girlfriend's Night Out** fundraiser that took place on April 20th, the ladies got together to raise funds for children and families' programming.

SUMMER 2024

- On June 20th, we celebrated **Provider Appreciation Day**!
- Our **Reverse-Inclusion Summer Camp** ran from July 1st through August 2nd this year.











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FALL/WINTER 2024

- Our 2024 Holiday Party was held on December 13th at The Refectory restaurant in Villanova.
- We woke up bright and early the day after the holiday party to complete our annual Walmart Shopping Spree on December 14th!







YEAR ROUND

Throughout the year, our new EER (Ensuring Equity Resource) Fund supported both families and daycares throughout the year with much needed resources. Through our EER fund, we were able to provide over 250 children in daycares with resources like books and other learning materials.

Our EER program embarked on a pilot initiative program with Little Darlings Daycare that proved very effective in engaging daycare staff in the coaching methodology approach.

WE GREW OUR STAFF & WELCOMED:

Makena Aberle, SLP - August 2024

Kristen Graham, OT - August 2024

Susan Bauerle, SI - November 2024

Lori Nelson, SI - December 2024

WE ALSO CONGRATULATE:

Jenna Gilbert, SLP on the birth of Tatum Timothy on February 16th, 2024

Miranda Siddall on her promotion and title change to Senior Billing and Administration Specialist in April 2024

Jenna Gilbert, SLP on her new role as Lead SLP in May 2024 after returning from maternity leave

Lauren Bannon, SLP on the birth of Nellie Margaret on July 11th, 2024

Jeanne Washington-Jackson, SI and Victoria Bloom, PT who became endorsed as PA Early Intervention Coaches

Barbara Coaxum for continuing in her role as SE Region Co-Chair of EIPA

Jeanne Washington Jackson, SI for welcoming her first grandchild this year!

Ending the Year with Others in Mind

We closed out 2024 by holding true to what we have subscribed to the entire year; thinking of others who may be experiencing challenges at a time when inflation is high and the need is great.

On December 13, 2024, providers, Board members, administrative staff and guests gathered at the Refectory restaurant of Villanova for our annual holiday party that included the announcement of raffle ticket winners and Walmart shopping family winners along with the distribution of toys and books to children we service in both early intervention and schools who could use a little cheer during this holiday season.

Many of our staff worked hard to sell raffle tickets, a time honored tradition with our organization to support and help others. A quick shout out to our reigning queen of raffle ticket sales, Angela Kea, physical therapist who once again sold the most raffle tickets!



While at our holiday party, we ran into Eagles Defensive End player, Brandon Graham, who was dining with his family at the same location. Mr. Graham, no doubt, has to be one of the nicest, most gracious Eagles players around. Once we shared with him what we were doing and the type of services we provided for children, without hesitation, he agreed to stop in and take a few pictures with us.





Ending the Year with Others in Mind Continued

The following Saturday morning on December 14th, our administrative staff rose early to meet families in need at the Walmart on Columbus Boulevard for our annual shopping spree. We were able to offer more than 20 families with children ages 1 to 15 the opportunity to shop for toys, food and other needed household essentials.

We don't have to tell you that we were equally as blessed as the families when we saw the children's excitement and watched the families secure needed items that brightened their holidays!





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