

## **PARTICIPANT BIOGRAPHY**

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Since 2005 Dorothy has been the Lead for the Child Care Sector Team at Nemours Health and Prevention Services (NHPS). The Child Care Sector work in Delaware has focused on engaging key stakeholders to implement policy and practice changes to promote best practices in healthy eating and physical activity in child care environments. She has been active in advocating for improved licensing standards that support healthy eating and increased physical activity in licensed child care programs, and she has worked closely with Delaware's Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) to promote best practices in meal planning.

Dorothy has been involved in many aspects of implementing supportive services impacting Delaware's children and families for over 30 years. As a clinical social worker, she has provided family therapy, planned and conducted parent education and support services, and is currently focused on policies and practices that support quality child care environments. Always aware of the importance of early childhood mental health, she has helped develop many trainings and technical assistance services for early childhood. She was involved in developing the Delaware Partners in Excellence (PIE) grant, and helped establish model sites for the program. She also served on the team that wrote the original Delaware FACET (Families and Centers Empowered Together) grant application, and she currently serves on the Executive Committee of the national board of the Parent Services Project (the organization that inspired and shaped the FACET initiative.) She serves as an advisor to the Delaware Early Childhood Council and has represented NHPS on the Delaware Stars Quality Rating and Improvement System Management Team.