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EXPERTISE

Economic development strategies, the early care and education industry, shared services/collective management of early care and education programs, engaging the business community, economic impact research and data

CURRENT POSITIONS

- President, Women on the Job
- Board member, Long Island Women's Agenda, NYS Child Care Coordinating Council, Health and Welfare Council
- Chair, Port Washington Child Care Partnership
- Member, The Conference Board Work/Life Leadership Council

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

- Co-Founder and Co-President, Families and Work Institute
- Director, Work/Family Clearinghouse of The Conference Board
- Director, Work/Life Consulting of Bright Horizons Family Solutions
- Legislative Director, Day Care Council of America. Coalition for Children and Youth.

EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Arts, Child Development, Cornell University.
- Master of Arts, Child and Family Policy, University of Maryland.
- Doctor of Education, Administrative Planning and Social Policy, Harvard University.



SHORT BIO

Dana Friedman is a researcher, policy analyst and community developer focusing on women, children, and family issues. Dana has worked for several national organizations and served as a consultant to major corporations, government agencies and foundations. Her primary work at present is as Project Director of Early Care and Education - Long Island (ECELI), a regional effort to improve the quality of early care and education created by five foundations. It functions as a collaboration of more than 75 organizations and community stakeholders committed to young children. She is widely published and written several reviews of the recent research linking child care and economic development, including a local analysis of the economic contributions made by the child care industry on Long Island.

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