



**Auburn–Cayuga County Emotional LEarning & ReAdiness To Excel (ACCELERATE)
Program: A Partnership for Results Project Funded by the U.S. Department of Education**

The ACCELERATE Program of the Partnership for Results will provide a system of care for young children in all nine early childhood centers in Cayuga County. The project has five essential components that will promote the emotional, behavioral and social development of up to 240 children and will increase the percentage of eligible children and their families receiving individualized support from child-serving agencies and organizations:

(1) Enhanced capacity of pre-school program educators to support at-risk children:

Project staff will provide on-site training in: a validated child referral process; Preschool Second Step to promote resilience of young children; and child-specific skill-building techniques to enhance the impact of intervention services;

(2) Comprehensive assessment of eligible children and their families: Clinicians will employ a battery of validated assessment instruments to identify disorders and develop coordinated service plans; they will also conduct extensive family assessments, examining household dynamics and service needs of household members;

(3) Spectrum of evidence-based programs: ACCELERATE will provide a continuum of services *in pre-school programs and in homes*: child-centered play therapy; filial therapy; Preschool Second Step; and; EPIC parenting skills workshops;

(4) Improved access to community services: Individualized, multi-disciplinary service plans will be developed for all children served and their families, along with support in accessing services; and

(5) Enhanced accountability: An innovative database will permit clinicians and their supervisors to monitor progress toward achieving treatment goals on an ongoing basis and allow program administrators to track program efficacy.