

EVOLUTION OF PARENTING EDUCATION IN NORTH CAROLINA

1981

- Parent Aide Program at Stop Child Abuse Now (SCAN) began
- Mental Health (PET - Thomas Gordon) model used

1990

- NCPAT Network and Training Team Established
- Welcome Baby program initiated in targeted counties



1997

- Kids 1st license plate created

1998

- Children's Trust Fund funds first NCPEN newsletter
- Intensive Home Visitation initiative founded by the NC Legislature
- Family Support Worker Training and Credential initiated by Women & Children's Health section of Public Health then continued by the NC Family Resource Coalition

2001

- NCPEN moved from a voluntary loose network to a membership organization with elected officers and bylaws—Karen DeBord, first NCPEN Chair
- Local Parenting Networks began to form across the state. This was a success in the eyes of the early planners as the field began to grow.



Karen DeBord

2002

- Head Start Collaboration funds focus groups with Parenting Educators to assess need for credential
- The Parenting Institute (TPI) Parenting Education Conference held
- Parenting Educator Credential piloted
- 12 Parenting Educators credentialed
- Circle of Parents Network (PCA-NC) initiated

2004

- A total of 75 parenting educators credentialed
- Early Learning Standards produced for PreK including a parent involvement component
- Spotlight on Young Children Conference (PCA-NC)
- Buncombe Family Court added
- NC State Masters degree in Family Life and Parenting Education offered jointly with UNCG (upcoming)
- NC Nurturing Program Network Initiated



1983

- Children's Trust Fund (DPI) focuses on child abuse prevention

1993

- (Smart Start Legislation passed) FUNDED
- Family Support prioritized by Smart Start



1999

- NCPEN official website hosted by NCSU
- Family Court Legislation established through legislation (3 courts)

- The Parenting Institute Founded (TPI) - Exchange SCAN in Winston Salem
- Parenting Conference—Funded by Head Start
- State funded More at Four Pre-K for at-risk 4-yr- olds (income eligible)
- Guide lines require family involvement—(parent education, family support, parent participation) also—ECERS—R required (has family components)
- Two additional family court projects added

2003

- 27 Parenting Educator credentials awarded
- Head Start Collaboration picks up funding for NCPEN newsletter
- Access + Visitation (A+V) Program expanded
- Gaining Ground Initiative to identify and implement statewide strategies to reduce child maltreatment rates in North Carolina
- Federal Early Childhood Comprehensive System planning grant funded with Parent Education as a critical component

1988

- 1st Parents as Teachers (PAT) Program

1996

- A group of 25 plus professionals developed a collaborative relationship to focus on parenting education. Referred to as the North Carolina Parenting Education Network (NCPEN)



1989

- NC BabyLove started
- Gov. Commission on Families Conference held

2000

- Court-ordered PE in Family Court Districts
- Federal IV-D funding for Access + Visitation (A+V) Programs in 3 Family Court sites (services for Non-Custodial Parents)
- Fatherhood Conference MAN2 (#1)
- 3 Family Court programs added