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Reconceptualizing Quality, Affordable Child Care as Public Utility: Family, Child, and Economic Developmental Perspectives

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About the webinar:
This webinar will present the results and findings of comprehensive needs assessments of access to quality, affordable childcare (AQACC) in select rural counties in Nebraska and Kansas. Leveraging these data, and exploring the family, child, and economic developmental perspectives, we propose reconceptualizing AQACC as holding the equivalent benefit to rural communities as that of public utilities (e.g. high-speed Internet, electricity, phone). Implications for community-level organization and action will be provided.

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