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**Exploring Cultural Competence in the Provision of Early Care and Education**

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This resource document includes research articles, a video clip, and other information for early childhood educators and early care providers to enhance their work with culturally diverse young children and their families through a deeper understanding of equity and culturally responsive practices. It does not represent the full scope of available resources and information on this topic nor serve as an endorsement of a particular resource.

**Introductory Article:**

**Becoming a Culturally Responsive Early Childhood Educator: A Tool to Support Reflection by Teachers Embarking on the Anti-bias Journey**

Chen, D. W., Nimmo, J., & Fraser, H. (2009).

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Four anti-bias goals are proposed in this article, and outlined below, to guide early childhood educators’ efforts toward cultural democracy and empowerment.

1. To nurture the construction of a knowledgeable, confident identity as an individual and as a member of multiple cultural groups;
2. To promote comfortable, empathetic interactions with people from diverse backgrounds;
3. To foster each child’s ability to critically think about bias and injustice; and
4. To cultivate each child’s ability to stand up for her/himself and for others, in the face of bias and injustice (e.g., Copple, 2003); Wolpert, 2005; York, 2003).

These goals are intended to serve as a tool to support and encourage reflection, and with use, the incremental changes in practice over time for those beginning their journey of transforming classroom practice.

**To learn more:**

[**http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&AN=42533237&site=eds-live&scope=site**](http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&AN=42533237&site=eds-live&scope=site)

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# Links to Information

**Applying an Equity Lens to the Childcare Setting**

<https://www.aslme.org/media/downloadable/files/links/1/8/18.Scott_SUPP.pdf>

**Beyond the Illusion of Diversity: How Early Childhood Teachers Can Promote Social Justice**

<http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=pbh&AN=33648998&site=eds-live&scope=site>

**Building Early Childhood Systems in a Multi-Ethnic Society**

<http://www.buildinitiative.org/Portals/0/Uploads/Documents/BuildingEarlyChildhoodSystemsinaMultiEthnicSociety.pdf>

**“I Don’t See Color:” Challenging Assumptions about Discussing Race with Young Children**

<http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&AN=70119200&site=eds-live&scope=site>

**Introduction to Culturally Relevant Pedagogy**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nGTVjJuRaZ8>

**Moving Beyond Anti-Bias Activities: Supporting the Development of Anti-Bias Practices**

<http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=ehh&AN=114680491&site=eds-live&scope=site>

**Social Justice in Early Childhood Classrooms: What the Research Tells Us**

<http://www.bakersandastronauts.com/s/dld-socialjustice-xj2w.pdf>