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United States National Committee of the World Organization for Early Childhood Education
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Call for Advocacy. The U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) is to be a daily feature of the Exchange EveryDay e-letter. This is an international communication tool of the Child Care Information Exchange magazine and the World Forum Foundation, of which OMEP is a Strategic Partner. New OMEP member, Dr. Pamla Boulton, boulton@uwm.edu, is editor of this information piece. She has invited all CRC advocates to contribute short information pieces of 3-4 sentences on:

- What the CRC is-
- Why it isn't ratified-
- Where we can learn more-
- What we can do-
- Who we should talk to-
- What we should say-
- Explanations of each article-
- Tools for advocating-



CRC Featured on Online Radio! If you have not done so yet, take a look at the new online radio feature on the Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI) website. The first interview is by OMEP member Diane Whitehead with Meg Gardinier on the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC). <http://www.acei.org/aceiradio.html>



OMEP Election in progress. Be sure to return your ballot. All members vote for all positions, not just for your own regional representative. If your membership is active, you should have received your election packet in the mail. Renewal notices will be coming shortly by mail.



New Regional Representative in Northeast Region 1. Jane O'Brien Friedrichs has found her schedule to be too demanding to finish her term as Regional Representative. A new representative will be appointed to fill her term. Interested members from CT, ME, MA, NH, NY, RI, or VT should contact Edna Ranck, edna.ranck@verizon.net.



Indicators of Child Well-Being. *The Child Indicator*, Fall 2009, summarizes the latest data at http://www.childtrends.org/Files/Child_Trends-2009_10_20_FR_ChildIndiFall09.pdf
Articles with links to sources include:

- recently released reports on young children in the criminal justice system
- international child indicators, including the first reports on child well-being from the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and the African Child Policy Forum
- new editions of *KIDS COUNT Data Book* and *America's Children: Key National Indicators of Well-Being*



Free Webinar on Adoption Data, December 8, 2009. The 2007 National Survey of Adoptive Parents (NSAP) contains information on the characteristics, adoption experiences, and well-being of adopted children and their families in the U.S. Child Trends will conduct a free webinar on how to use data from the survey on December 8, 2009. Contact Sharon Vandivere, svandivere@childtrends.org, or Karin Malm, kmalm@childtrends.org. View the survey at: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/slits/nsap.htm>