



5th Annual Charting the LifeCourse

SHOWCASE 2021

Virtual Conference • Thursday, May 20th • 8:30-4:00 CST

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📍 At-A-Glance

🕒 Time (CST)

📄 Program

8:30 am – 9:30 am	<p>Spotlight Presentations:</p> <p>Grab your coffee and listen to your peers share how they are using CtLC and the impact it has made in the lives of those they support. These “one slide spotlights” will showcase the many different ways that CtLC is being used in education, disability and aging services and supports, employment, and many other settings.</p>
9:30 am – 10:30 am	<p>Opening Keynote:</p> <p>Kick off the day with us by celebrating the passion, commitment and dedication of the LifeCourse community to supporting “good lives for all.” Sheli Reynolds, PhD will share how the framework and tools continue to evolve to respond to the ever changing landscape of what is happening in our lives, our services and supports and in the world.</p>
10:30 am – 12:00 am	<p>CtLC in Action Innovation Breakout Sessions:</p> <p>Join your peers in one of the interactive breakout sessions that best fits how you are using or want touse the tools in your everyday life and work. Each room will be facilitated by CtLC Coaches and Ambassadors that will share their innovative ideas for implementing the framework and tools within that specific practice area. Attendees will have the opportunity to share and ask questions throughout the session. CtLC in Action conversations will continue virtually throughout the year for those interested.</p>
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	<p>Break</p>
12:30 pm – 1:15 pm	<p>Chat and Chew” with the LifeCourse Nexus Team:</p> <p>What’s New with LifeCourse?Grab your lunch and chat with the LifeCourse Nexus team about what is happening with “all things LifeCourse.” This your chance to ask questions, give feedback and find out about new opportunities and resources. Questions can be submitted live during the session or prior to the Showcase.</p>
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	<p>CtLC Practice Areas: Breakout Sessions:</p> <p>These sessions are designed to provide how-to examples, present new ideas and spark conversations to address “frequently asked questions”around specific CtLC practice areas.</p>
2:15 pm – 2:30 pm	<p>Break</p>
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	<p>Closing Plenary and Award Ceremony:</p> <p>End your day being inspired by a panel of speakers that will share how CtLC impacted their lives, and lessons they have learned over the last few years. Celebrate the winners of 2021 CtLC Innovation Awards, whohave championed the principles of Charting the LifeCourse, through innovation in their practice and by serving as a leader in the movement for transformative change.</p>

© Welcome to the 2021 Charting the LifeCourse Showcase



We are excited that you are joining us for the 2021 CtLC Showcase!

This event brings together a network of people united around our core belief that “all people have the right to live, love, work and play in the community.” Attendees include advocates, family leaders, professionals and other stakeholders who have joined us on the journey of learning, sharing and networking around the Charting the LifeCourse framework and tools.

We hope that you take full advantage of connecting with different presenters, attendees and sponsors to hear the many exciting ideas and innovations happening with CtLC around the country (and in other parts of the world). The CtLC Showcase is an opportunity to share, develop, implement, and discover promising practices that support the achievement of a “person-centered good life” for individuals and their families.

The CtLC Showcase is the annual event hosted by the LifeCourse Nexus, which is housed at the UMKC Institute for Human Development. The name “nexus” was chosen because it is defined as a central place that connects or links groups, things and ideas together. The CtLC Nexus is a national center that supports the “intersect of Charting the LifeCourse ideas, collaboration and transformation.”

Michelle C. Reynolds, PhD
Associate Director, Institute for Human Development

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Get to Know Our Innovation Hub Leads

We are excited to introduce CtLC Champions who are helping us to create opportunities for networking related to key innovations areas. Our “hub leads” will be guiding the CtLC in Action Innovation Breakout Sessions, as well as engaging with our network after the conference to give you additional ways to connect with your peers who are working in a specific focus area. Check out the “Innovation Hub Lead” tab to learn more about these CtLC Coaches and Champions in each of the following Innovation Areas:



Self-Advocacy and Family Leadership

Network with other advocates and family leaders that are integrating CtLC into their self-advocacy or family organizations for such things as, running meetings, navigation and peer support, self-advocacy training, leadership development and more.



Education

CtLC is being integrated into educational settings starting in early childhood through higher education. Join other teachers, transition specialists, administrators, job coaches and professors to explore how the framework and tools are enhancing self-determination, self-advocacy and problem-solving skills and supporting the formal IEP and transition planning processes.



Employment and Meaningful Day

Interact with educators, vocational rehabilitation counselors, employment specialists and day habilitation staff to learn how to integrate CtLC in transition to employment, competitive employment and meaningful day opportunities. Particular attention will be paid to using CtLC to help individuals, families, schools, and employment programs to envision and focus on competitive employment goals.



Person Centered Planning

Support coordinators, case managers, their supervisors and others who facilitate person-centered planning are encouraged to attend this interactive session on how CtLC is being integrated into problem-solving and planning discussions and utilized to meet federal and state service system requirements.



Front Door to Supports

This newly formed Innovation area is focused on enhancing the information, problem-solving and navigation of formal and informal services and supports at the front door of systems or prior to entering a formal system of supports. Join other options counselors, intake specialists, navigators, and information and referral staff to explore how CtLC is being integrated into practice at the front door.



Direct Service Providers

Join other direct support professionals, supervisors, managers, administrators, training and quality assurance staff, therapists and board members to learn how direct service providers are supporting individuals to problem-solve and plan for achieving personal outcomes, enhancing staff recruitment and training, ensuring continuous quality improvement, and ongoing strategic planning using CtLC.

🎯 Showcase Highlights

How To Make the Most of the Virtual Event Platform

We are so excited you have joined us for this Virtual CtLC Showcase and hope that you will check out all of the opportunities to connect and engage through the Chime Live platform.

You can keep track of your activity and points in the “Engagement” tab. And, for those with a competitive spirit – the more you engage, the more points you earn! And, who knows ... there may be a prize after the Showcase for those who earn the most points through their participation in the different virtual opportunities to connect!

Create Your Personal Schedule and Access Session Links

By going to the “Agenda” tab on the left of your platform screen, you will be able to navigate through the different sessions being offered and select those you plan to attend, adding them to your own personal schedule. By clicking on the session name in the agenda, you will find the session description, a link to join the session, and a button to add the link to your calendar for an easy reminder and access.

Actively Participate During Virtual Sessions

The hallmark and highlight of the CtLC Showcase is the opportunity to connect with and learn from one another. Even in a virtual environment, that is still a key component of this event.

During each of the sessions, there will be opportunities for you to participate and engage. We will use the Live Polling feature in the Chime Live platform throughout the plenary sessions. In each of the breakouts, we will encourage dialogue and conversations, so please turn on your cameras and unmute your lines to share your thoughts (when the time is right.)

Make the most of the Chat functions by dropping your thoughts and questions into the chat, and be sure to respond to the polls and let us know how you’re feeling by using the reactions bar in each of the zoom sessions.



Join the Conversation in Upvoter

Connect and engage with the LifeCourse Nexus team and other attendees! Share posts about your favorite ideas and highlight what you are excited to try. Ask questions to help you in your own use of the CtLC framework!

Don’t miss out on the ability to engage and collaborate with others. Be sure to check out the “UpVoter” feature in the Chime Live platform.

Connect with Your Peers

Want to know who else is joining us today? Check out the Networking tab to see a list of attendees. You can connect with attendees directly, and use the chat feature within the platform for one-on-one conversations and discussions. We encourage you to make the most of this feature by:

- Asking questions of any speakers or presenters to find out more about their work
 - Reaching out to other attendees from your state to find out how you might collaborate together and support one another
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Take Notes to Remember Your Learning

Want to make sure you can keep track of the great ideas you hear throughout the day? Use the “Notes” tab to jot down information and questions that stick out to you. And, as an added bonus – any notes you take in the platform will be emailed to you directly following the end of the Showcase - no more tiny hotel notepads to try to keep track of is a bit of a silver lining, right?

🎯 Showcase Highlights (Continued)

Help Us Improve the CtLC Showcase and Better Support You in Your Work

Please help improve the Charting the LifeCourse Showcase by completing the evaluations!

At the end of each plenary or breakout session, we will use polling to get your thoughts about the session. Please take a quick moment to respond to a few questions that will help us to plan future LifeCourse Nexus events.

For Plenary Sessions:

Polls will take place in the Chime Live platform for our plenary sessions. Please go to the “Live Polling” tab to provide your feedback following the end of the session.

For Breakout Sessions:

Polls will take place in the zoom meeting platform for all breakout sessions. The poll will pop up on your screen, please just select the response that best reflects your thoughts about the session.

Don't forget to complete the Survey in the Virtual Event Platform to tell us your thoughts on the Showcase overall!

Need help? We're Here for You!

If you have any technical difficulties during the day, there is a team of Chime Live experts ready to help. If you are having trouble logging in, click on the “Need Help?” link on the login screen. Once you're into the platform, click on the “Help Desk” tab to submit a quick form to contact the Platform Assistance team. If you have questions about or need help related to the CtLC framework or the LifeCourse Nexus, please submit a question using the Q&A tab in the platform or by emailing us at umkcctlc@umkc.edu. We will respond as soon as we are able.

Connect with us on Social Media for Continued Networking and Learning

Grab your family, friends, colleagues (or pets ... the new work from home officemates), take a selfie, and post it to the “Photo” tab in the Chime Live platform and/or your social media. Be sure to use our hashtags:

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Then check out the Social Feed wall to see your peers' photos of their “good life.”



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