



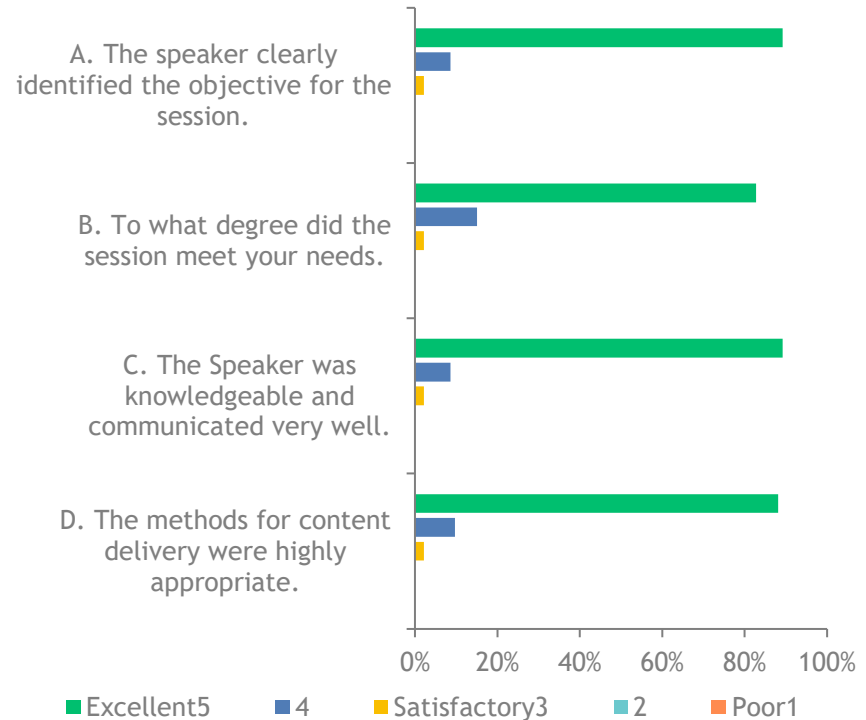
2024 Arkansas Head Start Association/
Head Start State Collaboration Office Institute

April 30-May 3, 2024

Opening General Session,
Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Dr. Robert Lemon,
Motivational Speaker
“Now Is Your Time to
Make a Difference”

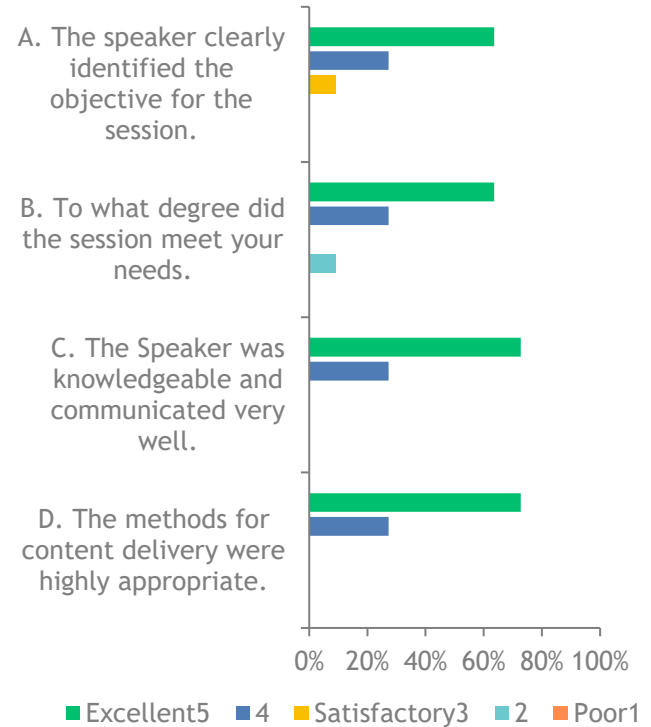
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Directors' Leadership Development Luncheon
Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Nicole Taxiltaridis, Sr. Director of Business
Development, SHINE Early Learning
“Shine Early Learning Partnership Opportunities:
Leveraging Partnerships to Enhance Services to
Children & Families”

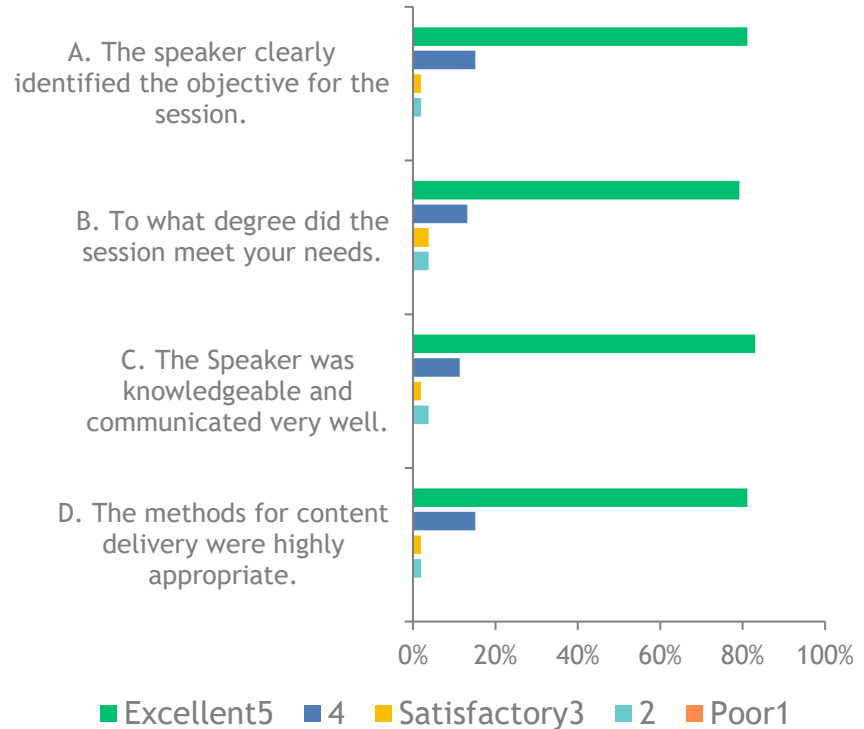
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General Session,
Thursday, May 2, 2024

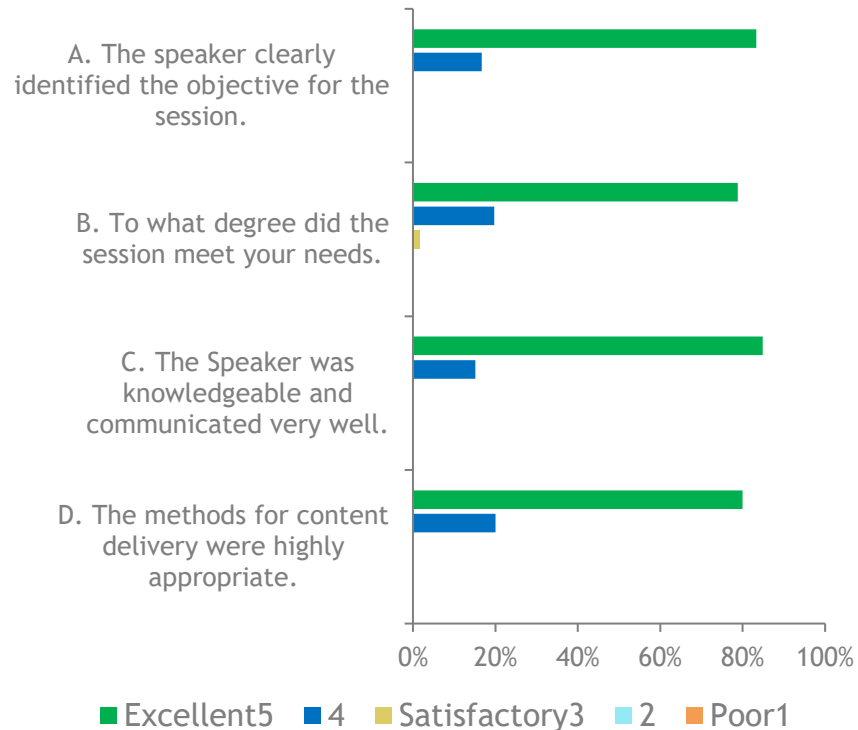
Tracy T. Rowe, CEO & Founder,
Tracy T. Rowe & Co.
"Get Your S.H.I.F.T. Together"

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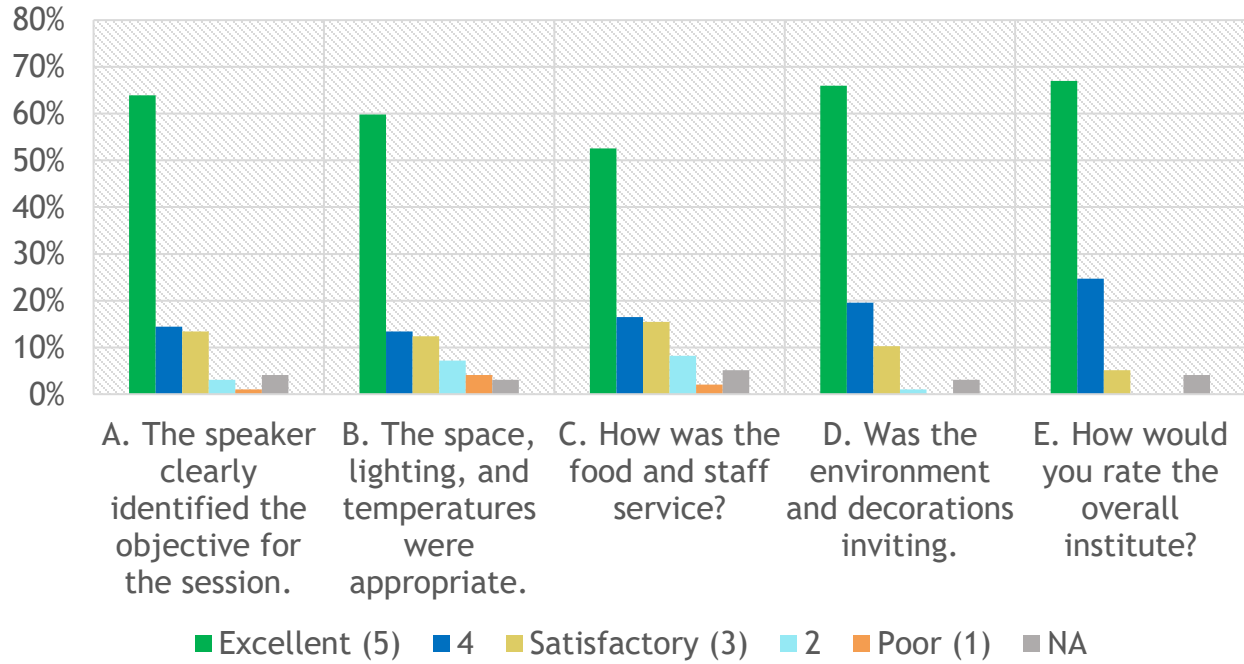
Closing General Session,
Friday, May 3, 2024
Tommy Sheridan, Deputy Director,
National Head Start Association
Navigating the Future: Updates on
Head Start from DC and Beyond

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Logistics

April 30-May 3, 2024



Please share any concerns you may have regarding the Institute.

- The staff is very professional
- I enjoyed the session
- The conference was great
- Great organizing
- Great conference but low attendance. Wish more participated.
- Great energy and engaging
- Very informative must come back
- No communication on the events protocols.
- Session was great and informative
- It needs to be held during the summer (3) so more people can participate.
- Well informed training.
- This was wonderful.
- This was great. No concern.
- Funds and slots getting cut
- All of the information that was presented was valuable, but very little was new. I would love it if it expanded what I knew. I feel like most of the participants are admin and staff with a lot of experience and the classes should be geared to that.
- No concerns except for higher participation
- Great institute
- Sessions and speakers were awesome, hotel not so much. No refrigerator in rooms, , high prices at restaurant, stingy with coffee for room.
- Great conference
- Next time please have children use the platform so everyone can enjoy and see them.
- One size doesn't fit All
- Chicken was not cooked all the way at dinner
- Water availability could have been better.
- not enough snacks
- Food
- Food was horrible.
- The training rooms are nice, but cold as usual. The hotel rooms are small, no refrigerators (4), no microwave (4) and hotel staff are difficult to get coffee pods for the room.
- Did not like this hotel. Breakfast was outrageously expensive. I was at the checkout 3 times to get a correct bill. Could not get coffee from them for the room. Front desk was often understaffed. You expect cold conference rooms, these were ridiculous. The dining room for lunch was slow, food cold, and, expensive.
- Parking was so times challenging (2). The front desk for Head Start need to know where classes are.
- It was way too cold. Very uncomfortable for me and most other people. Some people said they chose other sessions so they wouldn't have to sit in the cold rooms.
- Temperatures in rooms were more often very cold. Hotel has gone down since the last Institute held there.
- Some of the rooms were too cold (10), having to pay for parking, and the traffic getting in Friday was HORRIBLE!!!!
- Took over an hour to check in and rooms too cold.

Please share your suggestions for the next training institute (2025). (Locations, session topics, keynote speakers, special event ideas, length of sessions.)

- I do not have any. I enjoyed it
- I ENJOYYYYEEEDDDD the classes and learning new information!
- How to engage families in goal setting
- All Rooms was cold other than that great event!
- Rooms a little bit on cold side
- Shorter sessions to get more information in a day. Hour length so we can get more information in a day (4).
- Have her come again
- Keep the same
- Need more family service training topics
- Great place for training
- Great training
- Everything was great
- Our programs paying for our stay because the travel can be overwhelming for those who live far from the location.
- The theme nights were fun, just wish more people participated
- Like to see some ERSEA topic to discussions (2)
- No need to change any of the sessions.
- Kobe
- I would need more time to answer this.
- Ms Tracy is AWESOME!! She is so energetic and upbeat; she knows how to draw the audience.
- Tommy shares a wealth of information and encourage all participants to advocate for Head Start
- More trainings for veteran teachers to inspire and encourage
- Tracy was phenomenal!!! Mr Lemmon was interactive. Carrie Ragland included the audience with her presentation!!! More interaction with people. You don't have to just read your slides. More give aways of products...
- Maybe next year, at least have a breakfast buffet. Some of us at the host hotel was not able to get breakfast due to staffing issues.
- More trainings on Autism
- Turn temperature up. And make session rooms easier to find.
- I know cost is always a factor, but a nicer hotel with amenities and better customer service would be worth it.
- Loved Dr. Lemon Explain how to collect the stickers for our credit. Explain what you need to wear and bring to the banquet. Send the detail itinerary a week before classes.
- The communication needs to be more organized
- Cleaner facility, shorter sessions with more variety
- Facility not in clean shape
- Maybe another location? The Double Tree hotel meeting rooms & rooms need updating.
- Host it during June or July (4)
- I liked it in Hot Springs better (5)
- NorthWest Arkansas or Fayetteville ;) (4)
- Southwest Arkansas
- The facility in Jonesboro was excellent and would be great to use again. Back to Jonesboro (5)
- I have no suggestions. (Maybe snacks and beverages at the next one).
- A snack and beverage option would have been great mostly for travelers.
- The water was too small. Would have Been nice to have refreshments between sessions.
- Better access to water—cups too small, and maybe snacks between sessions.
- Have at least two selections for food and larger water glasses.
- Larger cups for water and snacks available between sessions.

Using two to three words, how would you describe how much you enjoyed the institute?

