

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA FORM
Tara Bristol

Education (include basic preparation through highest degree held)			
Degree	Institution (Name, City, State)	Major Area of Study	Year
MA	Wake Forest University; Winston-Salem, NC	Psychology	2001
BA	University of Nebraska; Lincoln, NE	Psychology	1999

Use the space below to provide a brief bio describing professional experience or areas of expertise related to involvement in continuing education and particular role, e.g., planner, presenter, administrator, etc.

Tara Bristol is the March of Dimes NICU Family Support Specialist for NC Children's Hospital in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Inspired by her experience of having a high-risk infant in the NICU, Tara's work focuses on building partnerships among health care professionals, patients, and families. In 2006, she became a founding member of the Newborn Critical Care Center Family Advisory Board at NC Children's Hospital. In addition to developing Family Faculty and Family Support Programs, Tara serves as a parent partner on numerous hospital- and state-wide committees. She is a Parent Chair for the Neonatal Outcomes Improvement Project and serves on the Leadership Team of the Perinatal Quality Collaborative of North Carolina (PQCNC). Prior to working with the March of Dimes, Tara worked in research and quality improvement and spent 2 years at the Center for Children's Healthcare Improvement. Tara lives with her husband, Bill, and 4-year-old, Jack, in Durham, North Carolina.