There are six protective factors for early care and education programs. These Protective Factors as the foundation for building skills and assets. Thinking about health and safety issues:

1. What are the real life challenges of implementing/providing this integrated framework for all children in different settings (i.e. family child care; centers etc)?

2. What are barriers to success?
   - Programmatic
   - Operational
   - Cultural
   - Other

3. What are best practices to bring Protective Factors into reality
   - Bringing the outside into the educational environment
     o How can we build community and partnerships to better ensure child health and safety?
   - Taking the educational environment outside
     o Connecting with families in other contexts
   - Balancing the demands of innovation with predictable and consistent environments consistent with safety and quality.
   - Aligning educator’s practice with administrative policy and approach
   - Professional Development
   - Cultural expectations and organizational structure