Natural Learning Initiative

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Creating environments for healthy human development and a healthy biosphere for generations to come.

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Passing the NLI Baton > Robin Moore to Deepti Adlakha

After 21 exciting years building the Natural Learning Initiative into a successfully "evolving enterprise" with Dr. Nilda Cosco, NLI Director of Programs, Prof. Robin Moore passed on the leadership baton to Dr. Deepti Adlakha, the new NLI Director and Associate Professor of Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning. read more...



Ongoing Research (AHEAD)

The <u>Active and <u>H</u>ealthy <u>E</u>nvironments for <u>Ad</u>olescents (AHEAD) study is exploring the relationship between the neighborhood environment and youth physical activity in urban India. Findings from the AHEAD study will guide urban design policy to improve the lives, health and development of children and youth in India. read more...</u>



Necessity of Urban Green Space

"Green spaces can significantly benefit children's physical, mental and social

Register Today! COLEQT Online Short Course, Oct. 11-20

The Childcare Outdoor Learning Environments Quality Tool (COLEQT) course shows how this tool can be used to guide improvements to outdoor children's environments & promote child development & learning.



Preschool Outdoor Play and Learning Environments: Best Practice Toolkit 2nd ed.

The toolkit is a guide for implementing POD (Preventing Obesity by Design) which focuses on modifying the built environment to support physical activity, healthy eating, outdoor learning, social-emotional development, and mental health.



development – from infancy into adulthood," according to UNICEF's recently released discussion paper prioritizing childcare centers and schools. read more...

DISCUSSION PAPER: The Necessity of Urban Green Space for Children's Optimal Development



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