8.1: Introduction

Some of the ways the children and families you will serve are related to race, ethnicity, national origin, and language. This chapter will explore the race and ethnicity and demographics of young children in California, how collectivist and individualistic cultures differ, information about immigration, including refugees and asylees, and children that are dual language learners. Guidance and suggestions are provided to help programs use what they know about these in the children and families they serve to support and include all families effectively.