Living Laboratory
ACM 2016
All session handouts (and additional resources) available at www.livinglab.org online toolkit

Broad Implementation: Creating Communities of Learners for Informal Cognitive Science Education (Kipling; 1113648)
Museum Visitors

research studies with museum visitors

Scientists

facilitated child development activities for families

Museum Educators

on-going professional development interactions

the Living Laboratory® model
Discovery Center Collaborators (2016)

Boston University
Social Learning Lab
Developing Minds Lab
Social Development & Learning Lab

Boston College
Arts & Mind Lab
Emotion Development Lab
Infant & Child Cognition Lab

Tufts University
Cognitive Development Lab

MIT
Language Acquisition Lab

Northeastern University
Communication Development Lab

Harvard University
Social Cognitive Development Lab
MoS Living Laboratory – A Decade of Impact

- More than **67,000 families** have participated in research activities (32,000 as participants) since 2005
- **50+ articles** in academic journals, with others in-prep/under review
- **600 researchers** (graduate students, post-docs, lab managers and undergraduate assistants) received science communication training from museum educators
National Living Laboratory Initiative (NLL)

supports a community of researchers and informal science educators in collaboration efforts that foster public awareness, engagement and understanding of the scientific study of children’s learning and development.

• “Hub Model” with 4 Hub Sites
• Professional Development events
• Support from Hub Leaders

• Dynamic, Online Resource Toolkit
• Partnership Stipends
• Educational Assistance

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Living Laboratory – Collective Impact

700+ Community Members (350 institutions)

- 48 states and 21 countries
- 245 informal learning organizations
  - science centers, children’s museums, libraries, others
- 95 universities, colleges and research centers
- 10 professional organizations

150,000+ families face-to-face with scientists

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