

Matthew Melmed Trustee, Turrell Fund

Executive Director, ZERO TO THREE

As Executive Director of ZERO TO THREE, Matthew Melmed is an internationally recognized leader and tireless advocate devoted to promoting the health and development of infants and toddlers. Bringing together the perspectives of many fields and specialties and cutting-edge research about the importance of early experiences, Mr. Melmed is committed to translating what we know into what we do for very young children and their families. Since 1995 he has guided the growth of the organization's activities to help enhance early social-emotional development through promotion, prevention, and treatment strategies in both public and private systems and programs.

Mr. Melmed has initiated national parental awareness campaigns and forged strong partnerships with corporate and nonprofit partners. He has served as the first elected Chair of the Children's Leadership Council, a coalition of 55 leading national policy and advocacy organizations working together to improve the health, education, and well-being of children and youth. He is the immediate past Chair of the Board of the Food Research and Action Center, the nation's leading domestic anti-hunger policy organization, and serves as Chair on the Board of Generations United.

In addition, he is a Trustee of the Turrell Fund of New Jersey, has been a Director on such boards as the I Am Your Child Foundation and is the recipient of several community, state, and national honors.

Matthew Melmed has served as a Trustee on the Turrell Fund Board since 2010.