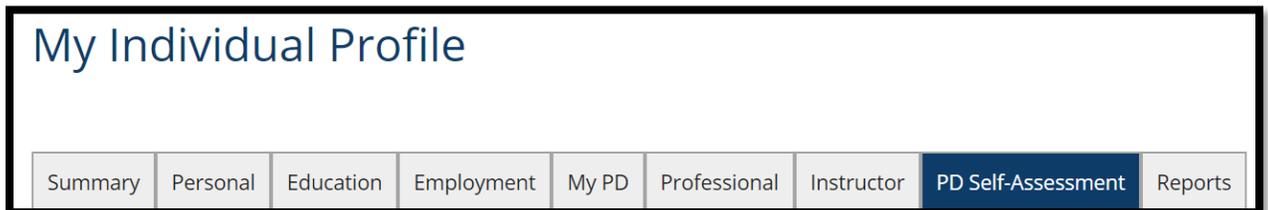This document is divided into two sections. The first section pertains to the Self-Assessment, which should be completed before moving on to the Professional Development Plan. The second section pertains to the Professional Development Plan.

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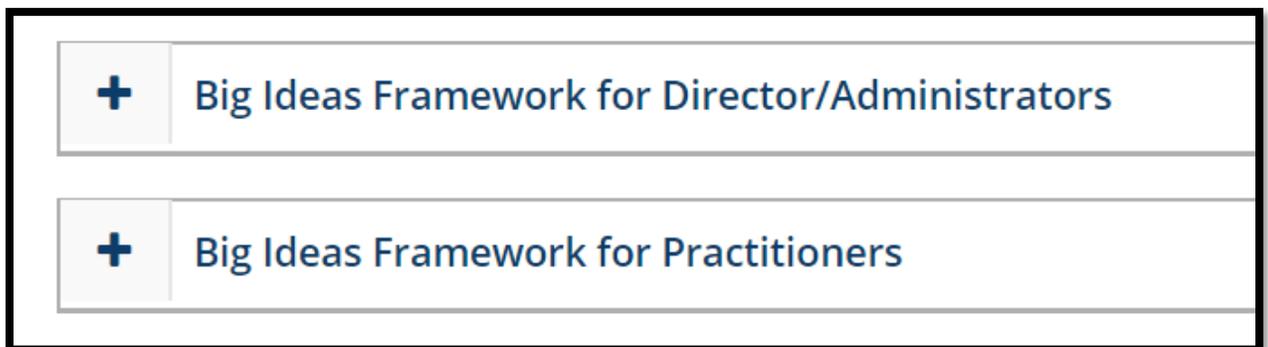
SECTION 1: PD Self-Assessment

Complete the **Self-Assessment** by following the steps below. Once the **Self-Assessment** is complete, the **Professional Development Plan** may be completed.

1. Click on the **PD Self-Assessment tab** located on your home screen (Profile) of the PD Registry.

2. If you are a **Director/Administrator**, click on the **plus (+) sign** beside the Big Ideas Framework for **Directors/Administrators**.

   If you are a **Practitioner**, click on the **plus (+) sign** beside the Big Ideas for Practitioners.

3. Click on the **Start tab** to the right of each Knowledge Area, beginning with Child Growth and Development.

Self-Assessment	Date Completed	Result	
Child Growth and Development (K1)			Start
Curriculum and Learning Experiences (K2)			Start
Families, Schools, and Communities (K3)			Start
Assessment (K4)			Start
Communication (K5)			Start
Professionalism and Leadership (K6)			Start
Health, Safety, and Nutrition (K7)			Start

4. Answer each Essential Question listed within the Knowledge Area.

Self-Assessment of Knowledge Child Growth and Development (K1) ✕

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. To what degree can I name, describe, and compare the theories and domains of child development and the importance of brain development in young children?

   ○ Beginning Knowledge

   ○ Implements Knowledge/Content

   ○ Analyzes/Evaluates Content
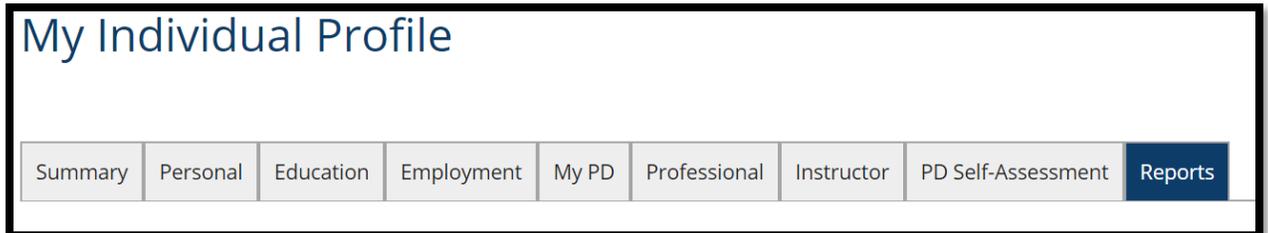
   ○ Teaches/Instructs Others on Content

2. What is my knowledge of how children develop in constantly changing environments?

   ○ Beginning Knowledge

   ○ Implements Knowledge/Content

   ○ Analyzes/Evaluates Content

   ○ Teaches/Instructs Others on Content

5. Once all questions are answered within each Knowledge Area, click Submit Assessment.

Submit Assessment

6. Once a Self-Assessment is submitted for each Knowledge Area, a date of completion will show under the Date Completed column.

7. To view the Summary of the Self-Assessment, click on the **Reports** tab on the home screen (Profile).

My Individual Profile

| Summary | Personal | Education | Employment | My PD | Professional | Instructor | PD Self-Assessment | Reports |

8. Click on **The Big Ideas Framework Definitions and Results Report**.

The Big Ideas Framework Definitions and Results Report

The report provides results from the Big Ideas Self-Assessment to be used for professional development planning

9. On this report, you will see each Knowledge Area and your results of the self-assessment. There are no right or wrong results. Each result informs you of where most of your answers were categorized (Beginning Knowledge, Implements Knowledge, Analyzes Content, and Teaches others in content) and can help you plan for future professional development.
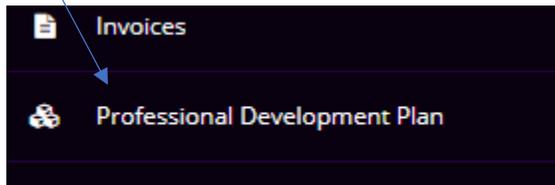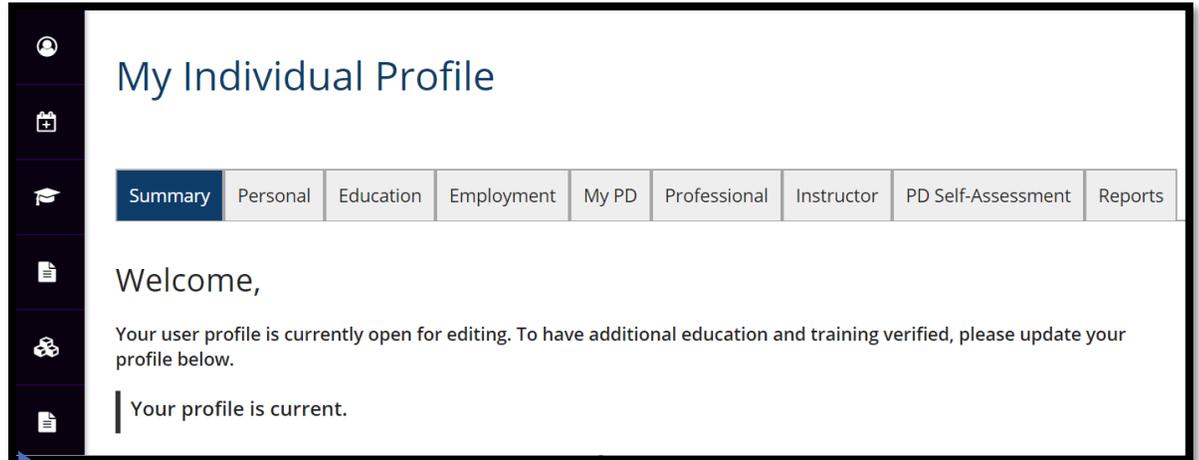   *The completion date will be listed beside each Knowledge Area and should be updated yearly.

The Big Ideas Framework Definitions and Results Report

The Big Ideas Frame Definitions and Results report provide the general definitions of each of the Core Knowledge areas, it provides your personal results based on the self-assessment you completed in the PA Registry Big Ideas Framework Self-Assessment, and lastly it provides you the definitions of the results you received on the self-assessment. The Big Ideas Framework Self-Assessment and The Big Ideas Framework Definitions and Results Report provide the information needed for you to create your Professional Development Plan in the PA Registry.
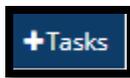
Asessment	Result	Complete Date
Child Growth and Development (K1) Children develop and grow over time as a result of interacting factors occurring in the context of the family, the cultural environment and social experiences.	**Analyzes/Evaluates Content** Professionals fully apply the standards into practice and adapt strategies to different settings and situations	10/5/2018
Curriculum and Learning Experiences (K2) Learning environments should be designed and modified to support children's individual needs and interests. PA Learning Standards and its guiding principles are the foundation for teachers' development of curriculum and instruction that is developmentally, culturally, and linguistically appropriate.	**Implements Knowledge/Content** Professionals begin to connect and apply the standards when working with children and families	10/24/2018

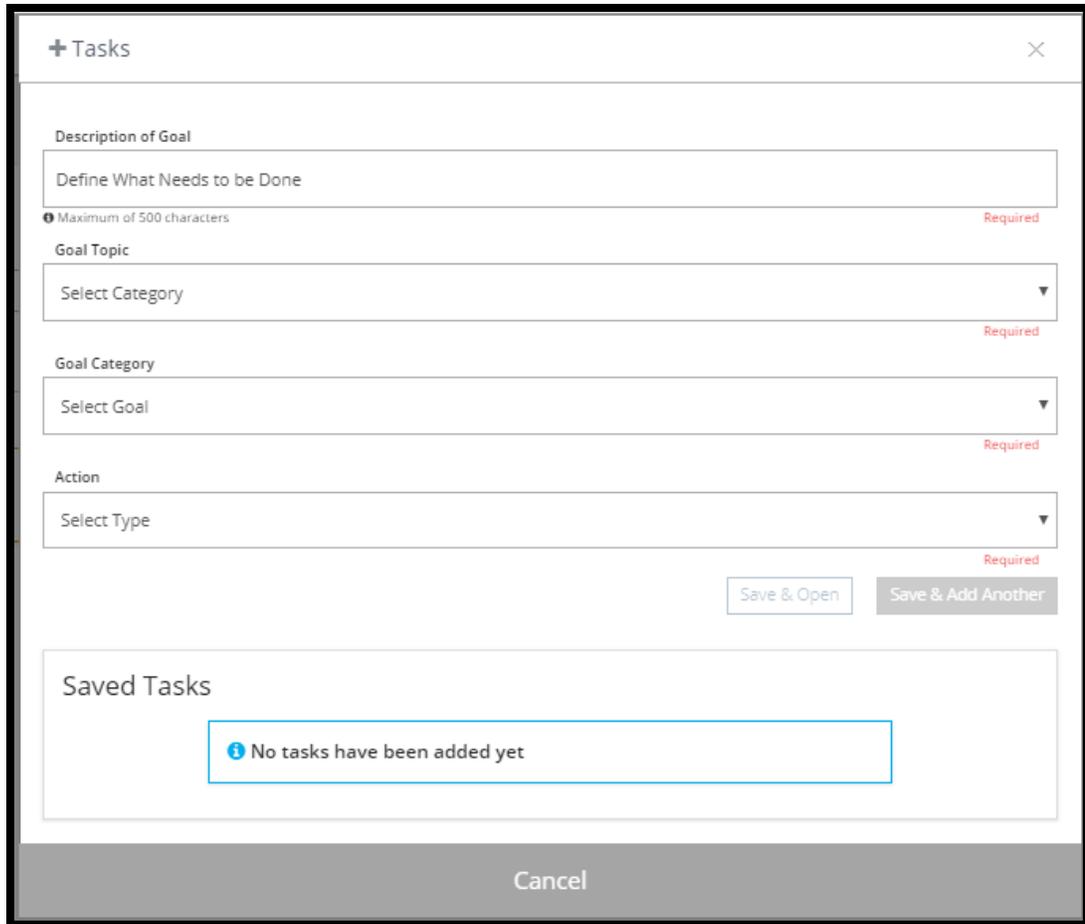# Section 2: Professional Development Plan

1. To access the Professional Development Plan, click on **Professional Development Plan** on the left, black menu of your home screen (Profile).

2. Click on the **+Tasks** tab in the top right corner of the Professional Development Plan.
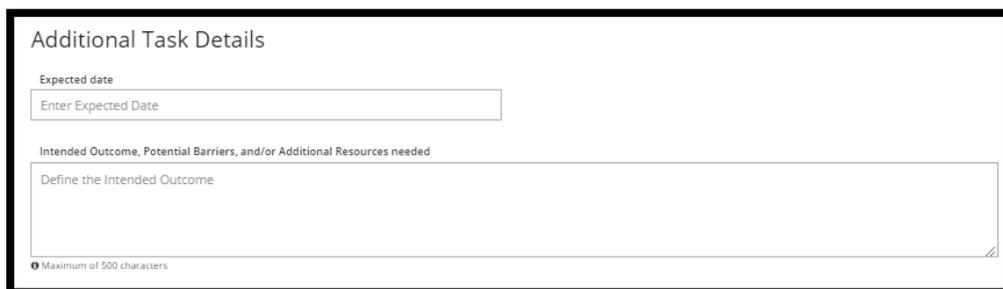

3. Complete the steps by writing a description of the goal, choosing a goal topic, goal category, and the action to complete the goal.

4. Click the Save & Open tab.

5. Add and expected date of completion and the intended Outcome, potential barriers and/or additional resources needed.
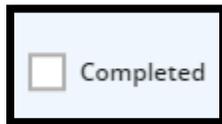
6. Click **Save Task**.

Save Task

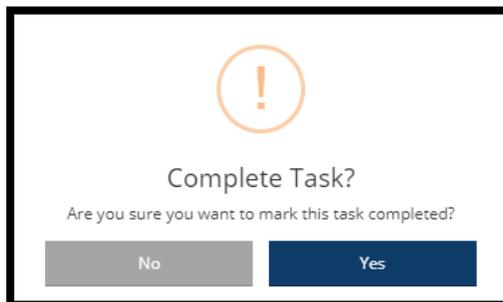7. Click the **X** in the top right of the screen to get to the main page of the Professional Development Plan.

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8. When the goal is complete, click on the **Manage** tab to the right of the goal.
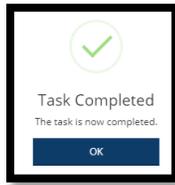

9. Check the **Completed Box**.

☐ Completed

10. A pop-up box will be displayed asking, "Are you sure you want to mark this task complete?" Click **Yes**.

11. A Task Completed pop-up box will appear. Click **OK**.

12. Add any **Task Documentation** that supports the completion of your goal. For example, a Director Credential Certificate. Please note this section is not required. If you obtain a certificate or degree, you will add them to the education tab of your profile.

13. Click **Save Task**.

14. A **Task Saved** pop up will appear. Click **Ok**.

15. Click the X at the top right of the page.

16. At any time, you can view which goals are open and still in progress or completed.