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FCCANYS 2016 Scholarships & Ride the Bus!

25th Annual Conference — Apply for a scholarship today!!

Professional Development Scholarships

FCCANYS will award several Professional Development Scholarships of $250 to help assist access to high caliber training & networking opportunities at FCCANYS 25th Annual Conference located at the Villa Roma Resort & Conference Center in Callicoon, NY.

Professional Development Scholarship Criteria/Submission Requirements:

- Applicant must be a registered family child care provider or licensed group family child care provider
- Cover letter containing your Name, Program Name, Address, County, Telephone #, Email Address, NYS OCFS License/Registration Fac. #, Expiration Date, # of Years in Business
- Essay (200 words or less) expressing why professional development is vital for providing quality child care and how it enhances your child care setting.
- Previous recipients of the Professional Development Scholarships are not eligible
- Submission **Deadline:** Submit electronically to scholarship@fccanys.org by **February 5th, 2016**
- Recipients will be notified by February 12th, 2016

Maria Otto Scholarship

FCCANYS is offering the Maria Otto Scholarship to a provider who is a current member that has been working in the child care field and follows the spirit & enthusiasm that Maria Otto exhibited in the child care community. The applicant should be someone who would not be able to afford attending the conference without the scholarship funds. The 2016 Maria Otto Scholarship recipient receives: Complimentary FCCANYS Conference registration to FCCANYS 26th Annual FCCANYS Conference. Two nights Lodging at the Villa Roma Resort (additional costs of transportation & incidentals are the responsibility of the individual). If you are interested in the Maria Otto scholarship criteria/requirements please visit https://fccanys.wildapricot.org/

WHY RIDE THE BUS TO FCCANYS CONFERENCE?

FCCANYS chartered bus can get you right to your conference destination and back with no worries! Wouldn't it be great to get a 1hr training on the bus? Come network with other providers! The round trip bus service MAY become available to these following locations: **Downstate Bus - Long Island, Queens, Bronx & Manhattan Upstate Bus - Rochester, Syracuse & Binghamton**. For this bus service to run we MUST have a minimum of 40 passengers on board. Cost will be determined by the amount of passengers. Seats are limited. So don't delay. Contact Karine today! If you want to reserve a seat on the bus, need more information or are interested in being on the bus committee, please contact **Karine Previl-Dunel at (631)666.5950** or email at kdunel@fccanys.org

What to look forward to at FCCANYS 25th Annual Conference

- **Workshops**: More then 25 workshops to choose from
- **Total of 15.5 Hours of Trainings:** covers all 9 NYS OCFS training topics
- **QUALITYstarsNY** trainings
- **Spanish** trainers & interpreters
- **ALL your Meals** - Friday lunch & dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch & dinner

PRECONFERENCE REGISTRATION INCLUDES:
Thursday - 6 Hour Training & Thursday Luncheon

FCCANYS accepts EIP (Education Incentive Program) awards & QUALITYstarsNY awards to cover registration.

Visit ***FCCANYS NEW website*** **https://fccanys.wildapricot.org/** for more conference information or email hschwegler@fccanys.org

Para Información detallada en Español por favor comuníquese con
Claudia Cala, FCCANYS miembro de la Junta Directiva en la dirección electrónica ccala@fccanys.org

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CARING MATTERS

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Conference is coming!

FCCANYS 25th Annual Conference

Family Child Care Association of NYS, Inc. 25th Annual Conference

Friday & Saturday,

April 15 & 16, 2016

Pre-Conference Session, Thursday, April 14th

Villa Roma Resort & Conference Center
Callicoon, New York

Pre-Conference Thursday,
Offers 6 hrs. of training on
April 14, 2016
Discovering Science
Donna Fowler
Maryland

Friday Night Keynote
Gina Scarda
New York
"If laughter is the best medicine, then welcome to the Doctors office!"

Friday Keynote
Desalyn De-Souza
New York
"An expert in the field with tremendous knowledge to share."

Saturday Keynote
Scott Noyes
Vermont
"Offers powerful message and a true inspiration."

Check out FCCANYS NEW website & experience registration made easy!
https://fccanys.wildapricot.org/events

President Jason Kiefer - CEO Barbara-Ann Mattle - Editor Jennifer Weykman

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Livingston County Branch Office
3513 Thomas Dr., Suite 4
Lakeville, NY 14480-0670
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595 Blossom Rd., Suite 120
Rochester, NY 14610-1825
Phone: (585) 654-4720
Fax: (585) 654-4721

Wayne County Branch Office
510 West Union St., Suite 1
Newark, NY 14513-9201
Phone: (315) 331-5443
Fax: (315) 331-5271

Family Focus

Get the Credit You Deserve

By Renee Scholz, Referral Services Director

Did you know that you or the families in your program may be eligible for valuable tax credits? Now more the ever the Federal Government is helping families put more money in their pockets by allowing the following tax credits:

Earned Income Tax Credit (see chart below)

2015 Earned Income Tax credit (2015 EITC) Chart

EITC Situation	No Children	With 1 Child	With 2 Children	With 3+ Children
1. Earned Income Amount *(minimum income earned required to claim credit)*	$6,580	$9,880	$13,870	$13,870
2. Maximum Amount of Credit	$503	$3,359	$5,548	$6,242
3. Phaseout Threshold Amount Begins **(for Single, SS, or Head of House-**	$8,240	$18,110	$18,110	$18,110
4. Phaseout Amount When Credit Ends **(for Single, SS, or Head of Household)**	$14,820	$39,131	$44,454	$47,747
5. Threshold Phaseout Amount Begins **(for Married Filing Jointly)**	$13,760	$23,630	$23,630	$23,630
6. Phaseout Amount When Credit Ends **(for Married Filing Jointly)**	$20,340	$44,651	$49,974	$53,267

The table above will give an estimate for what families should expect for the 2015 EITC (Earned Income Tax Credit). Taxpayers can use this table to help fill out their 2015 tax return when they can in 2016. If taxpayers are using a tax preparer, this is a good way to check that you are getting the right amount of the earned income credit that is deserved.

- **Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit,** designed to offset some of the child or dependent care costs that families incur in order to work. This credit is worth up to **$2,100.**
- **Child Tax Credit,** designed to help families offset some of the costs of raising children. This credit is worth up to **$1,000** per child.

There are programs that offer free tax preparation assistance. These include:

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program **(VITA)**-this program offers free tax help to low to moderate income people ($49,000 and below) and people who cannot prepare their own tax returns. To locate the nearest VITA site, call 1-800-829-1040.

Tax Counseling for the Elderly Program, provides free tax help to people aged 60 and older. **AARP** offers the tax aide counseling program. To locate the nearest site call 1-888-227-7669.

CCC Membership Benefits and Application

Individual-Non-Child Care Membership—$35.00/yr

Benefits

- Loan privileges at the Early Childhood Professional Libraries
- My First Library loan privileges for your own children between the ages of 6 wks thru 5 yrs
- Free Notary Public Services
- Council Pin, Lanyard, Tote Bag or Carabineer Key Tag

Child Care Center Staff Member, Registered Family Child Care Provider or Legally Exempt Child Care Provider Membership-$50/yr

All Benefits Above Plus

- 50% discount on Business Center Services
- 10% membership discount every Tuesday on Recycle Shop purchases
- Substantial member savings on Council offered classes and events

Non-Child Care Organization Membership—$75/yr

All Benefits Above Plus

- $5.00 discount on individual staff memberships in the Child Care Council

Single Site Group Family Child Care Provider—$75/yr

All Benefits Above Plus

- Substantial member discount on in-service training at your location
- Substantial discount on Council classes and events for provider and assistants

Child Care Center, Nursery School, School-Age, Multi-Site Group Family Child Care Membership

All Benefits Above Plus

$150.00/yr (1-10 staff members) $250.00/yr (21-30 staff members)
$200.00/yr (11-20 staff members) $300.00/yr (31+ staff members)

- Substantial Discount on Individualized Training Program and In-Service Sessions
- All staff members eligible for substantial member savings on Council classes and events

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CCC Annual Membership Application

□ Individual Membership ($35)
□ Center Staff Member Membership ($50)
□ Family Provider Membership ($50)
□ Single Site Group Family Child Care Membership ($75)
□ Non-Child Care Organization Membership ($75)
□ CACFP Family Provider ($25)
□ CACFP Group Provider ($37.50)
□ Center □ Nursery School □ School-Age □ Multiple Site □ Group Family
□ 1 - 10 Staff Members ($150) □ 21-30 Staff members ($250)
□ 11-20 Staff members ($200) □ 31+ Staff members ($300)

Mail form & payment to:
Child Care Council Membership
595 Blossom Road, Suite 120
Rochester, NY 14610

Membership Fees are non-refundable

Please √ one
___ New Membership
___Renewal Memb. Membership #_____

Name_____Home Phone ( )_____

Home Address_____City_____Zip_____

Center Name_____Center Phone ( )_____

Center Address_____City_____Zip_____

Total $:_____ MC/Visa#_____Exp. Date_____ V#_____
(3 digit # on back of credit card)

Amount Enclosed:_____- Check #_____ Signature:_____

Please check one: □ Council Pin □ Lanyard □ Carabiner Key Tag

News You Can Use

Congratulations Cheryl McCarrell!

Cheryl was a graduate of Child Care Council, Inc.'s. CDA #80

Cheryl completed the credentialing process and has recently received her Infant Toddler Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential.

You should be so proud!

Babysitting Training Offered to Area Girl Scout Troops

Child Care Council Inc. is partnering with Girl Scouts of Western New York to offer a nationally recognized babysitting course as a Girl Scout program.

Girl Scouts of Western New York approved the Safe Sitter® babysitting training as part of its program offerings. Child Care Council, a registered Safe Sitter teaching site, will provide the training and structure it to meet the needs of individual troops.

Designed for young teens and adolescents ages 11 and older, Safe Sitter prepares graduates to handle emergencies when caring for younger children and equips them with the tools needed to stay home alone safely. Safe Sitter aims to reduce the number of avoidable and unintentional deaths among children being cared for by young teen babysitters, by learning infant and child choking rescue, American Heart Association standards for rescue skills, and first-aid techniques from the American Academy of Pediatrics.

For more information about the program, Girl Scout troops can contact Linda Lane, Safe Sitter site coordinator at Child Care Council at 585.654.1223 or at l.lane@childcarecouncil.com.

The Know Place ?

St. Patrick's Day Activities

To bring you the luck of the Irish

By Jennifer Shook, Education Specialist

The day commemorates Saint Patrick and celebrates the heritage and culture of the Irish. Celebrations generally involve public parades and festivals, and the wearing of green attire or shamrocks. Here are some activities to share with the children in your care.

Play Hide the Shamrock: Take a paper shamrock, and as everyone closes their eyes, hide it in the room. Allow all the children to hunt for it. The finder is the next one to hide it.

Potato Press Pictures: Cut a potato in half and allow the children to use it as a stamp with paint and construction paper. Designs can be cut into the potato; let your imagination run wild!

Pot of Gold Counting: Create a pot of gold using a clay pot and some black paint. Add rainbow chenille stems for a handle. Fill the pot with gold coins filled with chocolate or made from construction paper. When working with the children, pull out different amounts of coins and count them. You can also show the children a number and have them pull out the correct number of coins.

Two great reads are The Night Before St. Patrick's Day by Natasha Wing and There Once was a Man Named Michael Finnegan by Mary Ann Hoberman.

Shaving Cream Sensory Fun: Tint shaving cream with green paint and allow the children to mix it together. (Remember that children who still mouth things should have additional supervision so that they do not ingest the cream.)

Rainbow Rice: Use 1/2 cup rice, 5 drops of food coloring, and 1/2 teaspoon vinegar. Mix until rice has absorbed the color. Lay out to dry or bake in a 200 degree oven for 45 minutes. Keep in a Ziploc bag. Make all the colors of the rainbow and place in a sensory bin or small shoe box for play.

Rainbow Fun: Tape a rainbow to the floor and have children run to it, crawl to it, skip around it, and hop around it.

Potato Science: Use a scale to weigh potatoes. Which are heavier, which are lighter? Look at different types of potatoes and if possible, taste the different varieties. Make a chart showing the children's favorite.

"I'm a Little Leprechaun": Sung to the tune of "I'm a Little Teapot." I'm a little leprechaun short and stout. Look at my top hat and hear me shout. When I get excited, listen to me dear. St. Patrick's Day is now right here.

Nurse Notes

Electronic Cigarettes: Helpful or Harmful?

By Joanne M. Buell RN, MS, Health Care Consultant

Conventional cigarette smoke has been shown to contain over 7,000 substances that are addictive (nicotine), cancer-causing ("tar", benzene, nitrosamines) and toxic (formaldehyde, carbon monoxide, cyanide). Non smokers, especially children, are exposed to these harmful substances through second and third hand exposure. That is why tobacco smoking has been restricted in public places and why health officials urge users to quit.

Electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes or electronic nicotine delivery systems) have been touted as a safe alternative to traditional cigarettes. Companies claim their e-cigarettes mimic cigarette smoking but their emissions are harmless vapor, have less health risks than cigarette smoke, and can help traditional smokers to quit. But are e-cigarettes harmless?

E-cigarette devices have three components: A cartridge (refillable in some cases) containing a liquid, a heating device, and a power source (usually a battery). Puffing activates the power source which initiates the heating element to aerosolize, not vaporize, the liquid.

The aerosol (a suspension of solid and liquid in a gas) contains **higher concentrations of ultra fine particles** of nicotine, food grade flavorings (approved for ingestion but not tested for heating and inhalation safety), chemicals such as propylene glycol (a respiratory track irritant), and metals such as nickel and tin **than those in cigarette smoke**.

The Poison Control Centers in the US have raised concerns regarding reports of poisonings in children who have ingested the contents of the refillable nicotine cartridges and in users exposed to toxic levels of nicotine during the refilling process. Incidents of cartridges refilled with illegal substances increases the risk to users and children.

E-cigarettes are advertised as harmless and glamorous alternatives to conventional smoking. Since they are not promoted as a tobacco product nor a therapeutic device, they are exempt from FDA regulation and ingredient labeling. Concerns over the marketing of "candy" flavored cartridges seemingly aimed at children and teens have been raised.

E-cigarettes have no FDA oversight, no ingredient label requirements, questionable emission content and are a billion dollar industry. Helpful or harmful? You decide.

Resources: 1.www.lung.org/stop-smoking/smoking-facts/e-cigarettes-and-lung-health.html; 2.www.lung.org (American Lung Association Statement on E-Cigarettes; 3. www.drugabuse.gov/publications/drugfacts/electroniccigarettes;
4. www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/news/fullstory (from Tobacco Control 4/15/2015 Chemicals in Some Flavored E-Cigs Exceed Recommended Limits: Study; 5. Electronic Smoking Devices and Second hand Aerosol from www.no-smoke.org

News You Can Use

GSK Recalls Nearly 130,000 Ventolin Inhalers

For the second time in recent months, a drug maker is having to recall tens of thousands of breathing medications because of potential problems with inhalers. This time, it is GlaxoSmithKline (GSK), which is retrieving two lots of Ventolin HFA Inhalers.

According to the most recent FDA Enforcement report, GSK is recalling 128,704 asthma inhalers because some canisters may not contain sufficient propellant to deliver the 200 doses that its label said it can provide through the end of its shelf life.

Product Description:

Ventolin HFA (albuterol sulfate) Inhalation Aerosol, 90 mcg per actuation, □200 Metered Inhalations, Rx Only, For Oral Inhalation Only, Net Wt. 18 g, Glax-oSmithKline, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, NDC 0173-0682-20

Lot Numbers:

Lot #s: 5ZP1708, Exp. 12/2016; 5ZP1951, Exp. 02/2017

Resource: Child Care Council of Westchester January 2016 newsletter, www.accessdata.fda.gov

PUBLIC POLICY with BAM!

On January 27, Child Care Council was pleased to, once again, have the opportunity to host the New York State Division of Child Care Services – Public Hearing on their proposed plan for implementation of the federal Child Development Block Grant regulations. Rhonda Duffney, Robert Korycinski and Tonia Weidner represented Deputy Commissioner Janice Molnar at the Hearing.

Hearing attendees included: Barbara-Ann Mattle, CEO; Kristin Perrone, Education Director; Linda Lane, Legally Exempt Services Director; Laurie Haley, Nutrition Services Director; Renee Scholz, Referral and Special Needs Services Director; Gina Barber, Legally Exempt Enrollment Specialist; Jennifer Mehlenbacher, Livingston County Branch Office Coordinator; from Child Care Council, Inc. Julie Champion, Executive Director, and Debra Hartman from Child and Family Services (Seneca, Ontario, Yates County CCRR); Carla Hibbard, Executive Director of Child Care Aware of America for Steuben and Schuyler County; Marsha Dumka, Early Childhood Consultant; Jeannie Harris, Generations Child Care Centers; Katherine Smith, League of Women Voters; and Bonnie Caldwell of VOICE – CSEA Union. We were also very pleased to be joined by Veronica Volk from WXXI News. Ms. Volk interviewed a number of the participants both before and after the presentation. As a result, the event received print coverage on their website on Wednesday and a spot on NPR on Thursday morning.

Mr. Korycinski began the meeting by making a power point supported presentation about each of the areas of the state's CCDBG plan and some of the rationale behind the decisions involved. Attendees, who had previously registered to present testimony, were then called to speak at their scheduled time. Each speaker highlighted and made comments on specific sections of the proposed plan. Some of the areas highlighted by various speakers included –

- Recognition for the fact that New York State is far ahead of many other states in terms of the current educational programs for providers and the inspections already being done for registered and licensed programs.
- Recognition for the state's history of developing a valuable resource in its infrastructure of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies. These agencies have, for many years, provided support to OCFS by offering a full range of education, parent referrals, registration, enrollment and supportive services to centers, family, group family and legally exempt child care providers. They stand ready to continue this support with the implementation of the new CCDBG plan.
- Requests that NYS be sure that subsidy dollars for low income parents were not reduced to cover the cost of implementation for the quality improvement requirements of CCDB.
- Consider requiring that all providers must participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program to ensure that children have access to healthy and nutritious food.
- Support the requirement that all providers be cleared through the registry of child abuse, fingerprinted, and required to attend pre-service and ongoing annual training.
- Support for annual home inspections for all child care providers.
- Concern about the possibility of lower market rate payments for subsidized child care.
- Expansion needed to support the Infant/Toddler Resource Centers across the state as they strive to prepare our youngest citizens to enter the pre-school world.

Legal Ease

Exploring Locally on a Budget

By Abby Brown, Legally Exempt Enrollment Specialist

One of my favorite things to do this time of year is visit a maple syrup farm! Let the sweet sticky aroma help transition you and the children from winter to spring by partaking in New York State Maple Weekend! Maple Weekend takes place this year over 2 weekends; Saturday and Sunday March 19 & 20 and also April 3 & 4.

"The goal of Maple Weekend is to provide an educational demonstration with a maple producer where visitors can experience many aspects of pure maple production. Maple producers will demonstrate how to make syrup and other pure maple products – whether it's simply boiling the sap over an open fire or running it through highly scientific equipment or heating and stirring it into delicious sugars and creams – the results always taste great!"

To find the closest maple farm located to you, visit http://www.nysmaple.com/maple-weekend-search/plan-your-maple-weekend/

Listed below are a few local farms that participate in Maple Weekend:

Kettle Ridge Farm
515 Log Cabin Road Victor, NY 14564
(585) 683-7506
Dates participating: March 20, April 2 & 3, Time TBD.

Schoff's Sugar Shack
1064 Willis Hill Road Victor, NY 14564
Dates participating: March 19 & 20, April 2 & 3, 10am-4pm
*March 5 & 6 adopt a maple tree for free. Open to ages 8-13. Children will go into the woods and tap an actual maple tree! Call 585-924-3769 to reserve your spot today!

Genesee Country Village and Museum
1410 Flint Hill Rd Mumford, NY 14511
(585) 538-6822
Dates Participating: March 19 & 20, April 2 & 3, 10am-4pm
Youth 18 and under are FREE Adults $10.00

Source: http://www.nysmaple.com/nys-maple-weekend

Food For Thought

Are your children in child care?

Find out how you child care provider can put healthier foods on your children's plate when they participate in the USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Are you a child care provider?

Find out how you can keep food expenses down while still serving healthy, well-balanced meals!

Celebrate National CACFP Week! March 13-19, 2016

Child care providers and centers participating in CACFP provide meals to 3.5 million children and 116,000 elderly or disabled adults each day for a total of 1.96 billion total meals and snacks.

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CACFP: An Indicator of Quality Childcare

Learn More
Find A Sponsor
www.cacfp.org

For more information about CACFP, contact
Laurie Haley, Director of Nutrition Services
585-654-4753 or l.haley@childcarecouncil.com

NEWS FROM CPSC

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from thousands of types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. The CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard or can injure children.

Following is one of the important recalls to be found on the CPSC website at www.cpsc.gov On the site you can sign up to receive alerts through many avenues including email, YouTube, and Twitter.

Recall Summary

Name of product: Classroom Select NeoRok Stools
Hazard: The stool can break during use, posing a fall hazard.
Consumer Contact: School Specialty toll-free at 877-204-3948 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday or online at www.schoolspecialty.com and click on Product Recalls on the bottom right.

Recall Details

Units: About 6,000 (About 1,350 were recalled in June 2015. In addition, about 800 were sold in Canada)
Description: This recall involves new and previously recalled 18-inch tall and 20-inch tall Classroom Select NeoRok Stools with a tilting and rocking feature, for use by children in the classroom. The stools have a round black rubber seat insert with a solid color plastic seat and black rimmed base. The Classroom Select logo is printed on one side of the base and the NeoRok name is printed on the other side of the base. The stools were sold in 12 colors: Cardinal (red), Claret (maroon), Ebony (black), Imperial (blue), Lilac (purple), Marine (navy blue), Nickel (silver), Paprika (orange), Periwinkle (light blue), Pistachio (green), Saffron (yellow) and Slate (gray). Recalled 18-inch stools are item number 1496340 and recalled 20-inch stools are item number 1496342.
Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled stools and contact School Specialty for a full refund or merchandise credit. Consumers who received replacement stools in the previous recall should also contact the School Specialty for a full refund or merchandise credit. School Specialty is contacting consumers directly.
Sold at: Classroom Direct catalogs, School Specialty Furniture and Equipment catalogs, School Specialty Education Essentials catalogs, School Specialty Early Childhood catalogs, and on www.schoolspecialty.com from May 2015 through November 2015 for between $105 and $115.

Child Care Council

Office Schedule and Calendar of Events

Monroe County-Rochester
Hours are Mon-Fri 9am-5pm. Other hours available by appointment.

Livingston County-Lakeville & Wayne County-Newark
Hours are Mon-Fri 9am-1pm & 2pm-5pm. Other hours available by appointment.

March 2016

- *23rd - Child Care Council Staff Meeting-Office closed 10am-Noon*

April 2016

- *27th - Child Care Council Staff Meeting-Office closed 10am-Noon*

Check out our social media pages!

Twitter	https://twitter.com/ChildCareCoun
Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/ChildCareCouncilinc
Pinterest	http://pinterest.com/cccouncilinc/
YouTube	http://www.youtube.com/user/ChildCareCouncilinc

Meet the Staff of Child Care Council

Introducing Abbey Copenhaver, RDN, CDN Nutrition Services Department

Hello, my name is Abbey Copenhaver. I joined Child Care Council in July of 2015. My background is in Nutrition and Agriculture. Working at the Council has taught me that children are the most honest people you'll meet.

I enjoy working with kids (my job is specifically preschoolers) because they are learning sponges, soaking up every detail. I look forward to many more years at Child Care Council!

A Closer Look

Look Who's Turning 18

It is always an exciting time when someone in your household turns 18. Many changes occur as a child is now viewed as an adult by New York State Office of Children and Family Services. As a home day care provider, the household member status of the new 18-year-old associated with your program will change. With this change comes additional paperwork that needs to be completed within 5 days of the person turning 18.

The necessary forms to complete will be mailed to you when the office is notified of the household member's birthday. There is a very short window to complete the forms and return them to the office. (See required forms listed below.) You may be proactive and get the forms in advance of the household member turning 18. If you choose to do this, please contact your registrar and ask them to forward the appropriate paperwork packet. Please return the forms to the office upon completion. In addition, you can call ahead of time and schedule a time for the household member to be fingerprinted, as long as the date of the fingerprinting is after the date the household member turns 18.

The regulation associated with a household member turning 18 is listed below:
417.15(b)(19) *Within five days of a household member turning eighteen years of age or a person eighteen years of age beginning to reside at the premises, the program must:*

(i) *submit the State Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment database check forms necessary to complete required screening by the Statewide Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment to determine if the person is the subject of an indicated report of child abuse or maltreatment; and*

(ii) *submit the forms necessary to check the register of substantiated category one cases of abuse or neglect maintained by the Justice Center for the Protection of Persons with Special Needs pursuant to Section 495 of the Social Services Law; and*

(iii) *submit the necessary fingerprint image necessary to complete the criminal history review required pursuant to section 413.4 of this Article.*

Form **OCFS-4930** can be printed from the OCFS web site. This will assist you in contacting the vendor to schedule the appointment for fingerprinting. It will also show you the necessary forms of identification that applicant must present at the fingerprinting. Two forms of identification are necessary, and at least one must have a photo. Don't risk being out of compliance for the happy occasion of someone turning 18 in your household.

Special Needs News

Upcoming Special Needs Trainings

By Bethany Williams, Special Needs Coordinator

More special needs trainings are coming your way in March!

As more and more children are diagnosed with various disabilities, Child Care Council strives to provide you with high quality, research informed trainings.

Here is what we are offering in March:

Special Needs Series for School Age Children
Instructor: Bethany Williams
Cost: $60
Topics include:
1) Autism in School-Agers
2) Sensory Processing Disorder
3) The Inclusive Classroom
4) Disability Awareness
5) Meltdown Management
6) Gifted and Talented

Class dates are March, 1, 3, 8, 10, 15 and 17

Also offered in March is our **Behavior Support Training Series**
Instructor: Bethany Williams & Kristen Torkelsen
Cost:$30
Topics include:
1) Americans with Disabilities Act and Child Care
2) Typical Behaviors vs. Challenging Behaviors
3) Behavior Meltdown vs. Tantrums

Class dates are Saturdays, March 12th and 19th

To register for any of these classes, you can use the registration form found on page 12. This class is EIP eligible. See if you are eligible to apply for an EIP award by going to https://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/eip.shtm. Apply for EIP as soon as possible in order to receive your voucher prior to the class date and avoid having to pay ahead.

If you have any questions about class registration or EIP applications we are happy to assist you. Just contact any office of Child Care Council, Inc.

We hope to see you at one of our fun and interactive classes!

Language and Literacy Tips:

Talk & Listen, Listen & Talk

Your baby doesn't need to talk to have conversation.

Go Ga-Ga

Speak your baby's language. If he says "ga-ga," you say "ga-ga."
Talk to your baby as you go through the day together. Talk about it all. "Bye-bye, stinky diaper. Let's throw it away."

How it works: Talk to a baby about things that happen during your day. Let her coo back. This teaches her how to take turns speaking and listening.

THE REPURPOSE AND MORE STORE

ITEM OF THE MONTH IS:

Plastic coated springs $1/bag

COURSE REGISTRATION FORM

For Health & Safety or Business 101 Series, NYS License/Registration Booklet #:_____

Name_____Home Phone_____
If your name has changed, please write your previous name below

_____Work Phone:_____

Child Care Council Membership #_____ Email Address:_____

Home / Mailing Address_____

City/Town_____ Zip_____ County_____
Is this a change of address or contact? _____Yes _____No

Business/Center Name_____ County_____

___Family Child Care Facility ___Group Family Child Care Facility ___Legally Exempt Provider
___Child Care Center ___School-Age Child Care Program

___Other _____

Home Language _____ Interpreting Services Requested ___Yes ___No

COURSE TITLE	COURSE DATE	LOCATION Lakeville Rochester Newark	COURSE FEE
			$
			$
			$

Registrations MUST be received at least one week BEFORE class

Please mail this form, with your payment to:
Child Care Council, Inc.
595 Blossom Rd., Suite 120
Rochester, New York 14610

Attention: Finance Department

Method of Payment

Cash $_____

Check #_____ $_____

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CLASSES AT CHILD CARE COUNCIL MAR. & APR. 2016

Are you interested in becoming a Family or Group Family Child Care Provider?
Follow the path to your new child care business! New York State requires that you attend an orientation class prior to ordering an application. You may attend a Child Day Care Orientation class online at http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/childcare/infoforproviders.asp
- or - Take a live, interactive class with us! Call 585-654-4720 for dates and times.

Once you complete the orientation, if you choose to proceed with Family or Group Family Child Care Registration or Licensing, you will need to fulfill your training requirements. Child Care Council offers a comprehensive training package to meet your needs
The Child Care Business 101 Series covers all or your training needs including:

Health and Safety	First Aid and CPR	Program Development
Introduction to CACFP	Taxes	Business Class

All included for the Health and Safety registration fee which is refundable upon completion of Registration or Licensing. PLUS you will receive a complimentary Child Care Council Membership with full payment at registration, and giveaways to help you start your business!

Child Development Associate Classes (CDA)

Participants may choose one of three specializations: Infant/Toddler, Preschool, or Family Child Care. CDA Courses at Child Care Council, Inc. are designed for potential candidates to complete their 120 hours, assist with the development of competency papers, and create a professional portfolio. CDA Courses are available in the evenings.
Classes meet weekly and are from 6:00 pm- 9:00 pm.
Please call (585) 654-4720 for more information and upcoming dates.

Preparing for the CDA Credentialing Process

* Have you completed the CDA course but never took the test?
* Did you let your credential expire and haven't renewed your CDA?
* Did you create a portfolio under the old system but want to apply for your credential now?
* Did you take the CDA on-line but need help with the portfolio?
* Did you take CDA at a high school BOCES program but never continued the process?

This series is perfect for you! We will be focusing on three main topics: Navigating the new CDA 2.0 Credentialing Process, Developing a Professional Portfolio, and Preparing for the Verification Visit and CDA Exam.
To receive a Course registration package, call (585) 654-4798.

Specialty Classes:

Medication Administration Training (MAT)

In order to administer medication to children in New York State, Day Care regulations require this training. There are several options available to obtain or renew this training. To learn more about these options contact one of our MAT certified instructors. Upcoming dates are:

MAT Training:
March 5th &12th 9am-2pm - Rochester

MAT Independent Study Classes:
Mar. 2nd -or- Mar 30th, 6pm-9pm - Rochester
Apr. 5th, 6pm-9pm - Rochester

CPR and First Aid—CEU .50 or 5 hours

This Red Cross Training and Certification is for Infant, Child & Adult CPR and Basic First Aid.
Mar.. 12th, 9am-2pm - Rochester
Mar. 28th &30th, 6:30pm-9pm - Rochester-SPANISH
Apr. 9th 9am-2pm - Rochester
Mar. 21st &23rd, 6:30pm-9pm - Lakeville
Mar. 21st &23rd, 6:30pm-9pm - Newark

Health and Safety

EIP eligible - Series fee - $235.00 NYS category 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 , 9 CEU 1.5 or 15 hours
This series is for Registered or Licensed Family and Group Family Providers, Assistants, and Substitutes. The material is presented in six sessions and covers specific training modules. Existing providers will find this a great refresher course in 7 of the 9 required topics. It is also a good way for assistants to get their first 15 hours of training. *Mar. 22, 24,29,31,Apr.5, 7 6-9pm - Rochester*

UPCOMING CLASSES AT CHILD CARE COUNCIL, INC.
MARCH & APRIL 2016

Individual Classes: All classes are 6:30-9:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

Science Experiments for Children **Rochester** **Mar. 3rd**
Instructor: Andrea McKenna
This hands-on science class explores age-appropriate science experiments to do with young children. Participants will explore how to set up science experiments, questions to ask the children to provoke thinking, and ways to document results. The participants will leave with a variety of different science and sensory activities to do with children.

Making Your Own Art Supplies **Rochester** **Mar. 10th**
Instructor: Andrea McKenna
This interactive class will explore different cost effective ways to create art supplies. We will discuss the value of making your own art supplies with the children. We will explore process art and the benefits of process art. The participants will leave with several ideas for art and sensory activities to do with the children in their program.

Full Serving of Nutrition **Rochester** **Mar. 15th**
Instructor: Chelsea Peckham **-or- Mar. 19th**
Lakeville Apr. 23rd 9am-11:30am
Feeding a young child is not always simple. They may want to eat the same food three days in a row and then refuse to touch it the next day, or they won't touch their lunch but beg for a cookie. Why do children do this? How an we help them get in a full serving of fruits and vegetables at every meal? What are the correct serving sizes for each age group? Let's explore these frequently asked questions together in this class.

Imagine, Plan, Create: STEM Engineering Activities for Children
Instructor: Andrea McKenna **Rochester** **Mar. 17th**
Young children are natural scientists. They are also young engineers. This session will look at the concept of STEM education in early childhood settings, focusing on how children can create, solve problems, experiment, test, adapt, and collaborative by participating in the design process as young engineers. This highly interactive session will look at ways to incorporate engineering as a way to connect with all domains of learning.

Exploring Social Emotional Development Through Literature
Instructor: Jennifer Shook **Rochester** **Mar. 24th**
We will explore various works of literature that can foster social and emotional development. Participants will use the various pieces of literature to create activities for use in their classroom and programs.

On the Move: Large Motor Activities **Rochester** **Mar. 31st**
Instructor: Jennifer Shook
Are you tired of being stuck indoors? Do you feel like the children you care for are climbing the walls? Add large motor activities to your day that are fun and invigorating. Some of the activities include dancing and yoga and can be used with infants, toddlers, preschoolers and school agers. Participants will also learn simple stretches and exercises that will improve their own health and wellness.

Simple and Fun Math Activities **Rochester** **Apr. 7th**
Instructor: Jennifer Shook
Providing math experiences for children doesn't have to be hard! We will explore activities to help young learners discover mathematical relationships and patterns. Participants will discuss the five components of mathematics and learn how careful planning can support these components.

See the Early Childhood Professional Development Course Calendar for details and a full course list.

Child Care Council courses, links to SUNY videoconference information, and EIP applications, are available at www.childcarecouncil.com

Individual Classes Continued

Know the Regulations-Family Child Care **Rochester** **Apr. 14th**
Instructor: Lynne Fisher
Are you familiar with the changes to the New York State Child Care Regulations? Become familiar with both new and old regulations, required forms and documents, and regulations regarding child abuse.

Helping Families with Challenges **Rochester** **Apr. 25th**
Instructor: Renee Scholz
Many families are facing challenges and struggles every day and as a child care provider, it is essential to be able to establish and maintain a productive, supportive relationship with the families in your program. This training is designed to further identify these concerns and gain the knowledge and skills to more effectively support families and identify community resources.

Series Classes

School Age Special Needs Series
This school-age special needs series focuses on current topics in Special Education. By attending this series, participants will earn 15 hours of training and will leave with current evidence-based techniques to successfully work with older children with special needs, including behavior management. Participants will also learn strategies to create a more inclusive classroom. Participants must enroll in the entire series and will receive a special needs resource binder.
Mar. 1st, 3rd, 8th, 10th, 15th & 17th 10am-12pm - Rochester

Behavioral Support Training Series
This three part training series provides an important opportunity to educate child care providers on topics that are crucial when working with children with disabilities and also gives them a chance to expand the scope of their work with children with special needs and their families. Participants must enroll in the entire series.
Mar. 12th & 19th 9am-1pm - Rochester

Special Needs Series
This 5 week series is designed to highlight key topic areas in Special Education. By attending this training, you will learn the skills you need to successfully work with children who have developmental disabilities. Participants must enroll in the entire series.
* Down Syndrome *Autism
* Meltdown Management * ADHD
* Cerebral Palsy
Apr. 14th, 21st, 28th & May 5th, 12th 6:30pm-9pm - Rochester

Legally Exempt Provider Classes:

The Legally-Exempt Training Series is for any in-home or family legally-exempt provider who wishes to enhance their knowledge and their reimbursement rate. Participants will learn about topics such as business regulations, child development, child abuse, and SIDS while interacting and networking with other providers.
Mar. 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd 6:30-9pm