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Training Calendar—Child Care Resource & Referral
April-June 2024

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Office Closures

Monday, May 27, 2024
All offices closed for Memorial Day

Wednesday, June 19, 2024
All offices closed for Juneteenth

Drop-boxes are available 24/7 at ESTL and Granite City locations

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Dear Early Childhood Education and Care Providers,

As we transition to warmer weather, The Brightpoint Child Care Resource & Referral team has compiled an exciting training calendar to help you spring into professional development. In addition, Brightpoint CCR&R is excited to announce we will once again be hosting an in-person spring conference. This year's focus will be social emotional development and challenging behaviors – there is a full line-up of excellent trainings and exciting giveaways. Mark your calendars for May 4, 2024, and be on the lookout for registration information!

Keeping children engaged and active is an essential part of classroom management, but planning the environment and learning activities can be challenging. Included in this calendar are trainings focused on enhancing learning in many areas of your program. Join national presenter, Jeff Johnson, for "Building Better Block Play" on Thursday, May 9th via Zoom to explore the learning benefits of block play and how you can spice up your block area. On Thursday May 23rd, Colleen McLaughlin of ILEAYC, will join us to share tips and resources for supporting literacy for infants, toddlers, and two-year olds in "Reading for Babies." Ann Caspari, a Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum Early Educator, brings us "Air is All Around Us" on Wednesday, June 12th. Join Ann to learn about incorporating creative exploration of wind and air in your program. For more information on these trainings, visit pages 12 and 13.

Do you transport children in your program? Car seat safety is no joke, but it can be difficult to navigate the laws and best practices. The CCR&R team has two certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians that can support you with installing and using car seats. An overview training of car seat safety and installation will be offered on Saturday, May 11th at Brightpoint Granite City. To learn more about this training flip to page 6.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to quality care! Your CCR&R team is available to support you in your work with children and families – please do not hesitate to reach out with questions.

Best,

Carlee G. Caspari

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CPR & First Aid Reimbursement Funds
Brightpoint Child Care Resource & Referral

CPR & First Aid training can be completed face-to-face or hybrid model

Approved Entities:

- American Heart Association
- American Red Cross
- Emergency Care and Safety Institute (ECSI)
- Ellis & Associates, Inc.-Orlando, FL
- Know CPR
- National Safety Council
- Pro-Trainings, LLC

- American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI)
- American Trauma Event Management (ATEM)
- Edward Atkinson/Emergency Response Health Network
- EMS Safety Services
- MEDIC FIRST AID
- Pacific Medical Training
- R.H. Sanders and Associates/Titan CPR Associates

Steps to receive reimbursement for CPR & First Aid:

1. Schedule training
2. Keep your payment receipt
3. Attend the training
4. Receive your CPR/FA card
   - Card must state pediatric & adult CPR/FA
   - School age providers, CPR/FA should be specific to the age you serve
5. Complete Brightpoint's reimbursement application

Funds do not cover:

- Incomplete or failed training/certification.
- Adult only FA/CPR.
- Travel to/from training.
- Out of state training.
- Purchase of CPR manikins, lungs, valves, DVDS, masks, shields, kneeling pads, gloves, or training kits.
- Cost of meals or refreshments.
- Fee for a replacement certification card.
- FA/CPR registration fee for volunteers at a child care program.
- No show and/or penalty fees.

All paperwork should be sent to Meg Turnis via fax or email
Fax: 618-452-9136 or Email: mturnis@brightpoint.org

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Health & Safety Trainings

CPR & First Aid

CPR & First Aid is offered at no cost to child care providers who care for at least one child receiving Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) funding. Box lunch and bottle of water are provided. Trainings are subject to change, you will be notified by the CCR&R if changes or cancellations occur. For more information, please view policies on pages 16 & 17.

NEW! **No Show CPR & First Aid:** CPR/FA will be paid one time for any Child Care Provider, per fiscal year. Failure to attend CPR/FA or contact the Training Coordinators prior to the start time of the training will result in ineligibility for CCR&R CPR/FA trainings for the remainder of the fiscal year. Providers will be responsible for taking CPR/FA independently, with the option to complete a CPR/FA reimbursement application.

For questions, or to register please contact one of the Training Coordinators at 800-467-9200
Meg Turnis, EXT 116 or mturnis@brightpoint.org

Saturday, April 13, 2024 **8:30 AM –3:30 PM** Contemporary Life Savings Training 1 S. Church St #503, Belleville, IL Trainer: J.R. Dietl	**Saturday, May 11, 2024** **8:30 AM –3:30 PM** Contemporary Life Savings Training 1 S. Church St #503, Belleville, IL Trainer: J.R. Dietl	**Saturday, June 8, 2024** **8:30 AM –3:30 PM** Contemporary Life Savings Training 1 S. Church St #503, Belleville, IL Trainer: J.R. Dietl
Saturday, April 27, 2024 **8:30 AM –3:30 PM** iMerge Community Center 200 W. Third St, Alton, IL Trainer: Andrea Sargent	**Saturday, May 18, 2024** **8:30 AM –3:30 PM** Laugh N Learn Preschool 780 N. Jefferson St, Mascoutah, IL Trainer: Andrea Sargent	**Saturday, June 22, 2024** **8:30 AM –3:30 PM** Tri-Township Library 209 S. Main St, Troy, IL Trainer: Andrea Sargent

Recognizing & Reporting Child Abuse: Mandated Reporter

Tuesday, May 7, 2024
6:30-8:30pm

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Nichole Miller
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 1

The purpose of this in-person training is to help all Illinois Mandated Reporters understand their critical role in protecting children by recognizing and reporting child abuse. Everyone who suspects child abuse or neglect should call the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline to make a report, but Mandated Reporters are required by law to do so. This training is also available online at **www.ilgateways.com**—click the blue box that says "***DCFS Licensing Required Trainings"***

Required Training—must be completed every three years

To self-report a training, follow these steps:

1. Log in to the **Registry Dashboard**

2. Go into the **My Registry** portal, then click on the **Learn** section

3. Click the **Add New** button and enter the name of the training, trainer (or training agency's) name, number of contact hours, and the date completed. Then click **Save**.

Health & Safety Trainings

Open Computer Labs

License Exempt Child Care home and center providers may come and complete trainings that are required for CCAP eligibility. We will make sure all health and safety procedures will be followed during all open computer labs.

To register please call: Wendy Zawodniak: 618-249-5747 or Crystal Collins: 618-744-6697

Tuesday, April 16, 2024	Tuesday, May 14, 2024	Tuesday, June 18, 2024
Tuesday, April 16, 2024 **9:00 AM—3:00 PM** Brightpoint Granite City Office 2133 Johnson Rd. Granite City, IL 62040	**Tuesday, May 14, 2024** **9:00 AM—3:00 PM** Brightpoint Granite City Office 2133 Johnson Rd. Granite City, IL 62040	**Tuesday, June 18, 2024** **9:00 AM—3:00 PM** Brightpoint Granite City Office 2133 Johnson Rd. Granite City, IL 62040
Thursday, April 18, 2024 **9:00 AM—3:00 PM** Brightpoint East St. Louis Office 601 James Thompson Blvd East St. Louis, IL 62201	**Thursday, May 16, 2024** **9:00 AM—3:00 PM** Brightpoint East St. Louis Office 601 James Thompson Blvd, East St. Louis, IL 62201	**Thursday, June 20, 2024** **9:00 AM—3:00 PM** Brightpoint East St. Louis Office 601 James Thompson Blvd, East St. Louis, IL 62201

Child Development, Health, and Safety Basics

Monday, June 17, 2024 6:30—8:30 PM	Tuesday, June 18, 2024 6:30—8:30 PM

[Click here to register](#)
***Must attend BOTH sessions in order to receive credit.**

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Jamie Nichols
Hours: 4
CDA Content Area: 1, 8

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, May 29, 2024

This training will provide participants an overview of child development, health, and safety issues for children, birth through early school age. Basics such as hand washing, to more in-depth practices surrounding healthy procedures and disease prevention will be discussed. Participants will learn more about emergency planning/preparedness and first aid, as well as identify tips for maintaining safe indoor/outdoor environments. *This training is also available online at www.ilgateways.com*.

Car Seat Safety

Saturday, May 11, 2024
9:00 AM—12:00 PM

Call to register: 800-467-9200
Meg—EXT 116

IN-PERSON

Where: Brightpoint—Granite City office
Cost: Free
Trainer: Carlee Caspari
Hours: 3
CDA Content Area: 1

Do you transport the children in your care? Are you up to date on car seat safety and regulations? Come prepared to learn about the current car seat laws in Illinois, safety features of your vehicle, selecting the right car seats, and how to safely use them. Please bring the vehicle and car seats you use with the children in your program, as each participant will spend time with the instructor learning to properly install them in their vehicle.

Please do not bring children to the training, it is intended for child care providers only.

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Owner & Administrator Trainings

Getting Started as a Family Child Care Provider

Tuesday, June 4, 2024
6:00—8:30 PM

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Micaela Johnson
Hours: 2.5
CDA Content Area: 6

Are you interested in opening a Family Child Care business? If so, join us to learn more about best practices that will help you establish a successful Family Child Care business. This is a great opportunity to learn more about owning your own business and what is required to be a licensed family child care provider.

Coffee & Conversations on Child Care Assistance Program

Wednesday, April 17, 2024
10:00 AM—12:00 PM

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: CCAP Supervisor
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 5

Do you currently accept Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) or are you interested in learning more about CCAP? Bring a cup of coffee and we will answer your questions about the Child Care Assistance Program. Receive the most up to date information about the important CCAP topics such as family eligibility, Initial Activity Search (IAS) application, and completing monthly certificates.

Conversations on Quality with Directors: Directors' Roundtable

Thursday, May 9, 2024
10:00 AM—11:30 AM

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Carlee Caspari/
Christina Owens
Hours: 1.5
CDA Content Area: 3

Join other program administrators for a networking round table! Brainstorm, share strategies, ask questions, and learn from your peers. This training is open to center and family child care program owners and leadership only.

✨Thank You✨

to all who filled out our Training Needs Survey! New & improved trainings coming your way, beginning in July!

Professional Development Trainings

Introduction to CDA (Child Development Associate)

Tuesday, April 23, 2024 **6:30 PM—8:00 PM** **Click here to register**	**Tuesday, May 21, 2024** **6:30 PM—8:00 PM** **Click here to register**	**Tuesday, June 25, 2024** **6:30 PM—8:00 PM** **Click here to register**

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Nichole Miller
Hours: 1.5
CDA Content Area: 6

Are you an entry level early care and education provider that is interested in expanding your skills and becoming DCFS Teacher or Group Home qualified? Join us for an overview of the CDA process, and learn about supports that are available to help you earn your Infant-Toddler, Preschool, or Family Child Care CDA.

Get Your CDA: Portfolio Creation Standards I-III

Thursday, April 18, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

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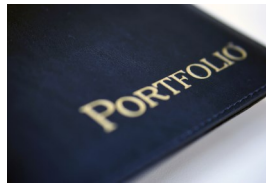
Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Marlene Levine
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 5, 6

Advance professionally and potentially increase your income by earning a CDA (Child Development Associate). This training will provide you with the information and resources to successfully complete the competency statements for Standards I-III.

Get Your CDA: Portfolio Creation Standards IV-VI

Wednesday, May 22, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Marlene Levine
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 5, 6

Advance professionally and potentially increase your earnings by completing the CDA Portfolio process. This training will provide you with the information and resources to successfully complete the competency statements and resources for Standards IV-VI.

Get Your CDA: Preparing for Verification Visit & Exam

Thursday, June 20, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Marlene Levine
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 5, 6

We will be working as professionals to prepare the completion of the CDA portfolio. This training will help you know what to expect during the verification visit and review sample exam questions to support you in the final steps to come lead teacher-qualified.

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Professional Development Trainings

Higher Education Informational Session

Tuesday, April 9, 2024
6:30-7:30pm

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Hannah Howell & Sara Seitz
Hours: 1
CDA Content Area: 6

Higher Education Navigators will cover information about financial aid and scholarships available in the state of Illinois, and local colleges to help you reach your goal of teacher or director qualifications. If you are interested in enrolling in college courses and would like more information on how to register and apply for financial aid and scholarships, this is the session for you!

Infant-Toddler Pyramid Model

To register for module(s), call:
800-467-9200
Meg—EXT 116

IN-PERSON

Where: Step by Step—Bethalto
333 Mechanical Drive
East Alton, IL
Cost: Free
Trainer: Genni Luberda
CDA Content Area: 3, 4, 7

The Pyramid Model provides guidance for early educators and builds upon a tiered approach. Its aim is to provide universal supports to all children to promote wellness, targeted services to those who need more support, and intensive services to those who need them.

Module 3: Responsive Routines, Schedules, and Environments (1.5 hours)	**Monday, April 29, 2024** **6:00—7:30 PM**	**Registration deadline: Thursday, April 11, 2024**
Module 4: Understanding Behavior (2.5 hours)	**Thursday, May 16, 2024** **6:00—8:30 PM**	**Registration deadline: Monday, April 29, 2024**
Module 5: Teaching about Feelings (1.5 hours) & Module 6: Promoting Positive Peer Interactions (1.5 hours)	**Thursday, June 13, 2024** **6:00—9:00 PM**	**Registration deadline: Tuesday, May 28, 2024**
Module 7: Individualized Teaching (2.75 hours) & Module 8: Challenging Behavior (3.25 hours)	**Saturday, June 29, 2024** **8:30 AM—3:00 PM** *Lunch provided*	**Registration deadline: Tuesday, June 11, 2024**

Note: Pyramid Model trainings are not required to be taken in order to receive a credential.

ExceleRate Trainings

Introduction to Environment Rating Scales

Saturday, June 8, 2024
9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Call to register: 800-467-9200
Meg—EXT 116

Environment Rating Scales Institute

IN-PERSON

Where: Brightpoint—Granite City office
**Cost: $10.00**
Trainer: Genni Luberda
Hours: 4
CDA Content Area: 5

This training is for center-based programs and family child care providers and offers an overview of the Environment Rating Scales. The Environment Rating Scales are user-friendly assessment tools that measure the quality of the learning environment for infants through school-age children. After completing this training, participants will be able to use the tool(s) for program self-assessment and improvement planning. This training meets the requirements for ExceleRate Illinois.

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 17, 2024

Participants will receive training manual & rating scale
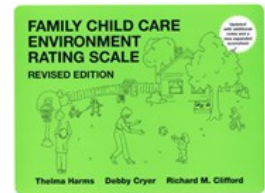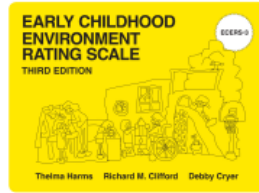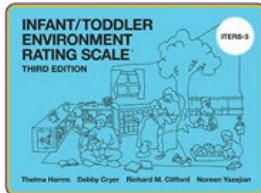
Learning & Development Trainings

Child Abuse and Neglect 101

Wednesday, April 10, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

NEW!

Prevent Child Abuse Illinois™

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Rachel Chruszczyk
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 1

This training provides the definition of child neglect and how it differs from child abuse. Neglect can be hard to spot, and the reasons for it happening are diverse and multifaceted. Professionals will learn how neglect interventions also differ from interventions for abuse, and learn to understand the best ways to prevent neglect in our communities.

Understanding and Supporting the Child Who is Angry and Aggressive

Tuesday, April 16, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

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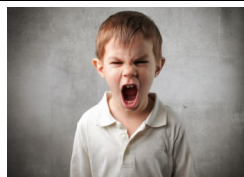
Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Elizabeth Frisbie
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 3

Many young children struggle with expressing their anger appropriately and some turn to aggression as a way to meet their needs. This webinar will look at anger and aggression from a developmental perspective, explaining angry outbursts and types of aggression and providing concrete strategies to use for both intervention and prevention. Ideas for calming, releasing anger in healthy ways, and reducing aggressive behaviors will be shared along with suggested resources including children's literature and activities.

Learning & Development Trainings

SET Up for Success

Wednesday, April 17, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Alondra Anderson
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 3

This training will show participants how to intentionally implement Social Emotional Teaching (SET). Participants will learn how to build relationships with children to enhance their social-emotional skills, increase classroom management, and address challenging behaviors.

A Look into "The PLAYbook"

Wednesday, April 24, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

NEW!

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Tyler Kearns
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 2, 8

Join Tyler with the Genius of Play and be prepared to get active with hands-on games and activities for all ages. Participants will learn the science behind "why we play" and how to share it with their communities. Let's discover both indoor and outdoor activities to try the very next day at programming. From STEAM to mini-games and everything in between, you never know what you will come away with when you take a look in the PLAYbook.

Is It Sensory or Is It Behavior?

Tuesday, April 30, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

Caregiver Connections
Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation
Support for Childcare Providers

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Christy Stark
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 3

Is there a child in your care who shows you that "Sometimes I need...to push or kick my friends...to spin and spin and spin...a bear hug squeeze...to cover my ears with my hands...to wear different clothes ("I don't like tags, or the way my clothes feel.")...to play rough and break things...to wash my hands, because I don't like the way some things feel on my hands..." If these sound familiar, it is important to understand the sensory processing system for young children and how it can affect behavior. In this training, we will define sensory processing and sensory needs and will discuss ways to support children showing sensory challenges in your classroom.

Terrific Twos

Tuesday, May 7, 2024
6:00—8:00 PM

Call to register: 800-467-9200
Meg—EXT 116

NEW!

IN-PERSON

Where: Early Explorations
47 N Research Dr
Edwardsville, IL
Cost: Free
Trainer: Genni Luberda
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 1, 3

The two-year-old stage has unfortunately been called "Terrible Twos" for years. In this training, we will focus on strategies to help create an amazing classroom for your TERRIFIC two-year-olds. Join us in a two-year-old classroom to have a hands-on experience.

Learning & Development Trainings

Building Better Block Play

Thursday, May 9, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Jeff Johnson
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 8

This session looks at re-energizing your block play area with playful props, thoughtful policies, and appropriate support. We will also dig into the comprehensive and deep learning opportunities block play promotes.

Inclusion and Social-Emotional Learning

Tuesday, May 14, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Dr. Anjali Sane
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 8

Inclusion—what is it, and what are the laws related to inclusion in the classroom? Some topics we'll discuss include: red flags for social emotional development, how to support children with Autism, tips for parents to support inclusion and social emotional skills, how to support play in children with special needs, and the use of sensory strategies to support inclusion for all children.

Classroom Management Basics

Tuesday, May 21, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

Caregiver
Connections
Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation
Support for Childcare Providers

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Nicole Warren
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 1, 3

Effective classroom management requires awareness, patience, good timing, boundaries, and instinct. There's nothing easy about shepherding a large group of easily distractible young people with different skills and temperaments along a meaningful learning journey. This training offers discussion and a framework to achieving better management in the classroom.

Reading for Babies

Thursday, May 23, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

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Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Colleen McLaughlin
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 2

Babies love books and hearing stories. Most of us love reading to children, but pre-reading skills for children 0-3 go beyond books and storytime. Join us to learn some ways to spice up your reading time and make sure you are hitting all the important skills our youngest learners need to be successful readers once they get to school.

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Learning & Development Trainings

Mental Health Support for Providers with Caregiver Connections

Wednesday, June 5, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

NEW!

Caregiver Connections
Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation
Support for Childcare Providers

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Christy Stark
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 3

We will learn more about Caregiver Connections and the role that Caregiver Connections Consultants play in mental health supports for children aged 0-kindergarten entry. Learn about how we can support your work as early childhood providers.

Air is All Around

Wednesday, June 12, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

Smithsonian

Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Ann Caspari
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 2, 3, 7

The hands-on training will provide educators of young children with the scientific background and knowledge needed to build confidence in developing teaching and learning explorations of air in early childhood classrooms. The professional development will be targeted to children ages 2-5, but will have information applicable to younger and older children.

S.P.A.R.K.: Spontaneous Play Awakens Reflective Knowledge

Saturday, June 15, 2024
9:00 AM—12:00 PM

Call to register: 800-467-9200
Meg—EXT 116

NEW!

ST. LOUIS TEACHERS' RECYCLE CENTERS

IN-PERSON

Where: Brightpoint—Granite City office
Cost: Free
Trainer: Susan Blandford
Hours: 3
CDA Content Area: 1, 2

This hands-on, process-oriented session explores new ways of using play and reusable resources to address curriculum goals and accountability. Participants will develop the ability to observe, plan for, and assess children in the process of play, develop the ability to extend and enhance children's play, and connect children's play with all learning domains. *LIMITED TO 10 PARTICIPANTS*

I Made a Referral, Now What?

Tuesday, June 25, 2024
6:30—8:30 PM

Click here to register

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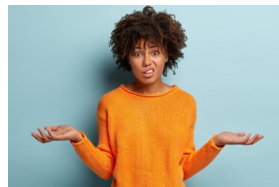
Where: Virtual on Zoom
Cost: Free
Trainer: Tammy Wrobbel
Hours: 2
CDA Content Area: 7, 8

Participants will review the process in which to refer children ages 1) birth to three years of age to Child and Family Connections, and 2) three years of age and above to the local public school system. Participants will also receive strategies to accommodate the environment, daily schedule, activities/routines, materials, and requirements/ instruction while waiting for the referral to be processed.

Child Care Resource & Referral Training Polices

The following training policies apply to all Brightpoint Child Care Resource & Referral program sponsored trainings, computer labs, and conferences.

How to Register for Trainings: Participants must register for trainings at least three business days prior to the selected training date. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Child Care Programs can register up to 3 participants per training. Priority for CPR/First Aid and Health & Safety trainings are given to providers who are currently required to complete these trainings to meet IDHS Child Care Assistance Program requirements. New CCAP applicants that have submitted a paper application to our office or have not been paid by IDHS in the last 3 months will be placed on a waitlist. If a training is not full by the close of registration providers waitlisted will be notified by phone and allowed to attend the training.

To register for virtual trainings please use the Zoom registration links located below the training description or call or email Meg, the Training Coordinator, for the registration link. Once you are registered, we will send you a confirmation email the day before the training with a Zoom link to join the training. We will also send you an email one to two days in advance to remind you that you are registered for an upcoming training. **If you are unable to attend any training, please contact us 48 hours in advance or earlier to cancel: 800-467-9200, EXT 116 (Meg).**

Attendance Rule: A minimum of 10 participants must be registered three days prior to the training date (virtual or face-to-face) or the training will be canceled. Participants will be notified of training cancelations by email and phone.

NEW! Accessing Virtual Trainings: Virtual trainings can be accessed using a laptop, desktop computer, tablet, or cell phone. Please make sure that you have your own device when attending a virtual training. Contact Brightpoint CCR&R if you have questions or need additional support.

In-Person Trainings: Face masks are optional. Please do not have anyone else attend the training with you unless they are registered to take the training as well. If someone drove you to the training, we ask for them to wait in the car, or come back to pick you up after the training.

Late Arrivals: A fifteen-minute grace period will be given at all training sessions (virtual or face-to-face). This grace period ends 15 minutes after the advertised start time. Participants will not be allowed into the training after the 15-minute grace period has ended.

Early Departures: To receive a training certificate, participants must stay until the training is finished. If a participant leaves early, no hours or training certificate will be awarded.

Training Participation: Participants must actively engage in training to receive a certificate and training hours. Engaged is defined as participating in polls, using the chat box, sharing, and exchanging ideas, etc. Cameras must be on during virtual training unless the trainer requests for them to be turned off. To ensure participants are safe and able to engage fully during the designated training time we ask that you refrain from activities that take away from your participation. Activities such as attending another training, driving, shopping, attending sporting events, actively caring for children, or being counted in your program's ratio will result in immediate removal from the training.

Technical Assistance: We can provide technical assistance 15 minutes before the scheduled training time. Once the training starts there is no guarantee that the facilitator/trainer will be able to help you. This is to ensure trainings start promptly on time. If you would like to set up a practice meeting before the training, please contact the Training Coordinator at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled training.

Child Care Resource & Referral Training Polices

The following training policies apply to all Brightpoint Child Care Resource & Referral program sponsored trainings, computer labs, and conferences.

NEW! No-Show CPR & First Aid: CPR/FA will be paid one time for any Child Care Provider, per fiscal year (July -June). Failure to attend CPR/FA or contact the Training Coordinator prior to the start time of the training will result in ineligibility for CCR&R CPR/FA trainings for the remainder of the fiscal year. Providers will be responsible for taking CPR/FA independently, with the option to complete a CPR/FA reimbursement application. **To avoid being placed on the No-Show list, please contact us 48 hours in advance or earlier to cancel if you are unable to attend training: 800-467-9200, EXT 116 (Meg).**

Lunch: For any training that lasts more than 5 hours, a box lunch will be provided with a bottle of water. Participants are welcome to go back to their seats or to their car to eat lunch. Please be aware that 30 minutes is allotted for lunch and the training will resume promptly at the end of lunch.

Professional Development Certificates & Transcripts: Participants will receive a training certificate via email and will have the training hours recorded on their professional development record, on www.ilgateways.com/. A paper certificate will only be sent upon request. Participants who need a transcript or verification of their past trainings will be directed to access their IL Gateways to Opportunity Professional Development Record at www.ilgateways.com/ .

Every effort is made to ensure quality presenters. Any statement, fact or opinion expressed by the presenters are their own and do not necessarily reflect the philosophy or viewpoint of the Brightpoint Child Care Resource & Referral program.

COVID-19 Policies & Procedures: There is an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the CDC, senior citizens and individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable. By entering the training, guests voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19, and the trainer disclaims all liability related thereto. Brightpoint CCR&R continues to follow universal precautions and general guidance from the Center for Disease Control and Public and/or County Health Departments. Please click here to view the CDC guidelines .

CDA Content Areas:
Content areas are noted in the description of each training and also on training certificates. Please see each content areas descriptions below.

Content Area 1
Planning a safe and healthy learning environment

Content Area 2
Steps to advance children's physical & intellectual development

Content Area 3
Positive ways to support children's social & emotional development

Content Area 4
Strategies to establish a productive relationship with families

Content Area 5
Strategies to manage an effective program operation

Content Area 6
Maintaining a commitment to professionalism

Content Area 7
Observing & recording children's behavior

Content Area 8
Principles of growth & development

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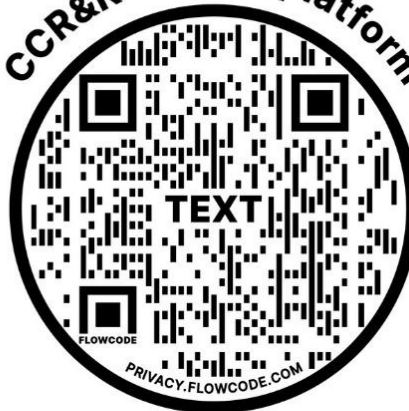
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