



The Quality Times

1st Quarter Summer Edition – 2021/2022



WVIT-R Morgantown/Fairmont Area



West Virginia Infant/Toddler

Professional Development Program Revised 2020

The first Caregiver class is scheduled for **Wednesday, July 21, 2021**. The director and staff member must be credentialed on the WV STARS Career Pathway prior to beginning the class and must bring their WV STARS certificate to the first class.

Please note, a director or assistant director is required to attend and complete the revised Administrators modules in order to send staff to WVIT R. **The supervisor who attends the revised Administrators modules is required to be present for the scheduled TACIT visits.**

The WVIT-R Administrator course has been scheduled for the following dates: **7/12/21 from 1:00-4:00 and on 7/15/21 from 10-12**. Administrators **must attend both** sessions.

All Caregiver Sessions will be held from **12:00pm to 3:30pm**

Session 1: 7/21/21	Session 7: 9/21/21
Session 2: 7/28/21	Session 8: 9/29/21
Session 3: 8/4/21	Session 9: 10/6/21
Session 4: 8/11/21	Session 10: 10/20/21
Session 5: 8/18/21	Session 11: 10/27/21
Make up session (8/23/21)	Session 12: 11/3/21
TACIT 1 (8/23-9/14/21)	Make up session (11/8/21)
Session 6: 9/15/21	TACIT 2 (11/9/21 - 12/1/21)

Participants that have been on the wait list have been notified
Please contact Chrissy Pownell to check on available spots for this course.
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The Infant Toddler Specialist Network has updated the West Virginia Infant Toddler Professional Development Program for Caregivers and for Administrators! We are so excited to present this new version to providers in our state!

Look What's New!

- ◆ All sessions are 3.5 hours
- ◆ Individual stipends for completion
- ◆ Hybrid presentation model
- ◆ Latest research on temperament tendencies, child development, reflective practice
- ◆ I/T Environment Rating Scale - 3
- ◆ Introduction to Ages and Stages Questionnaire 3 Screening Tool
- ◆ Introduction to mindfulness
- ◆ In-depth look at observation, assessment and lesson planning
- ◆ Updated videos and activities
- ◆ In-depth look at WV Early Learning Standards Framework for Infants and Toddlers
- ◆ 52+ WV STARS hours
- ◆ Pass/fail



CCRC Office Locations

Hancock County

Tuesday's & Wednesday's
100 Municipal Plaza, Suite 600
Weirton, WV 26062

Contact the Wheeling Office for Questions

Ohio & Marshall County

2000 Main Street, Suite 100
Wheeling, WV 26003
304-232-1603 or 800-585-1603

Marshall County

Wednesday's -- 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
400 Teletech Drive Suite 2
Moundsville, WV 26041
304-843-4120

Monongalia County

965 Hartman Run Rd., Suite 1103
Morgantown, WV 26505
304-292-7357 or 888-272-7357

Marion County

118 Adams Street - Suite 101
Fairmont, WV 26554
304-366-3615

Tyler & Wetzel County

1236 N. State Route 2
New Martinsville, WV 26155
304-455-0920

Visit our website at:
<http://www.ccrewv.org/>

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Information & Professional Development for Directors and Leaders



WVIT I - R Wheeling Area



We are in the process of hiring a new Infant/Toddler Specialist.
We want to thank you for your patience and understanding as we go through this transition.
We will keep you updated with the process through Facebook postings and listserve announcements.



Are you the Director of an Afterschool Program?



If you answered yes, then make plans to attend

Afterschool in West Virginia: Quality Indicators & Program Standards

This 2 hour course provides an overview of current data, 13 indicators of quality, and program standards for afterschool programs in West Virginia.

The course is recommended for directors of afterschool programs

WVSTARS Approved -- 1 Hour Professionalism & Leadership ---- 1 Hour Administration & Management

Wednesday -- September 29, 2021 -- 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

The Director's Toolbox Module Series

This Training is for Directors, Assistant Directors and/or anyone in a Supervisory Roll!

This is a module series consisting of 7 topics critical for leaders who are eager to learn practical suggestions for improving administrative effectiveness.

The Director's Toolbox is a management series that provides concise theoretical overviews on the following topics:

1. Inspiring Peak Performance - Competence, Commitment & Collaboration
2. A Great Place to Work - Creating a Healthy Organizational Climate
3. Circle of Influence - Implementing Shared Decision Making
4. Making the Most of Meetings - A Practical Guide
5. The Right Fit - Recruiting, Selecting & Orienting Staff
6. Leadership in Action - How Effective Directors Get Things Done
7. From the Inside Out - The Power of Reflection & Self Awareness

Call Marcy, our Quality Improvement Specialist if you are interested or have questions.

304-232-1603

Training will be Held on
Tuesdays

July 20

July 27

August 10

August 17

August 24

September 7

September 14

Time to be determined
by the needs of the
participants



If you missed out on attending the first presentation of this new training for directors, don't miss your chance to attend the next one.

Training dates and times will be announced on Facebook and on our listserve.

Call Marcy if you are interested or have questions ----- 304-232-1603

Professional Development Opportunities

Nurse Health Consultant Online Trainings Medication Administration



June 19, 2021 (Saturday)	8:00 am - 11:00 am
June 24, 2021 (Thursday)	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
July 14, 2021 (Wednesday)	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
July 20, 2021 (Tuesday)	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
August 26, 2021 (Thursday)	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
September 11, 2021 (Saturday)	8:00 am - 11:00 am
September 30, 2021 (Thursday)	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm



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Other Online Trainings

July 12, 2021 (Monday)	Summertime Safety	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
July 26, 2021 (Monday)	Creepy Crawly Creatures	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
August 10, 2021 (Tuesday)	Medical Action Plans	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
September 14, 2021 (Tuesday)	Respiratory Infections in Children	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
September 30, 2021 (Thursday)	Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm



WV Child Care Health Educator Trainings

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All that Sugar and Fat	New Recipe Ideas 1
Beans...More Than Just Cute Songs	New Recipe Ideas 2
Bed Bugs and Beyond	Oral Health
Being a Good Role Model	Picky Eaters
Breastfeeding Basics	Safe Sleep Practices
Indoor/Outdoor Safety	Stress Management
Let's Make a Menu	Understanding Special
Let's Move	Dietary Needs

Keep Up With The Latest Notifications & Reminders

- Scheduled Training Information
- Notifications of CCRC Office Closings
- Notifications of Policy Changes & Updates
- Notification of Upcoming Director's Meetings
- Notification of State & Local Professional Development Opportunities

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July, August, September Training Calendar

To register please visit www.wvstars.org

Online Professional Development



July 7, 2021 (Wednesday)	Looking to Learn, Learning to Look	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
July 12, 2021 (Monday)	Mindfulness in the Classroom!	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
July 19, 2021 (Monday)	Music Matters!	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
July 28, 2021 (Wednesday)	All That Sugar & Fat	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
August 2, 2021 (Monday)	Activities to Reduce Challenging Behaviors!	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
August 10, 2021 (Tuesday)	Hooray for Outdoor Play!	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
August 11, 2021 (Wednesday)	Dramatic Play: What Goes There?	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
August 16, 2021 (Monday)	Teamwork! Working Together to Make it Work!	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
August 18, 2021 (Wednesday)	The 3 R's: Reaching the Learning Brain in Young Children	1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
August 24, 2021 (Tuesday)	Nutrition Basics	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
September 8, 2021 (Wednesday)	Creative Curriculum	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
September 15, 2021 (Wednesday)	Cultural Connections in Child Care Today	6:30 pm to 7:30 pm
September 20, 2021 (Monday)	Creating a Self- Care Plan for YOU!	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
September 21, 2021 (Tuesday)	New Recipe Ideas 1	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Making A Difference: Mandate to Report, Responsibility to Prevent Child Abuse & Neglect



This training is offered online/on demand and is the approved course for child care providers in recognizing, reporting and preventing child abuse and neglect.

Log on to your WV STARS account

Click on Course Catalog -- on the right side of the page there is a search box, type in MANDATED REPORTER



Making a Difference: Mandate to Report, Responsibility to

Get Item



This logo will pop-up, click on "Get Item" and follow the instructions to obtain the training.

Activities to Reduce Challenging Behaviors! - *Child Growth & Development.- Basic Level - Ali Svolos*

This course covers why active learning is essential. It provides activities for categories including community building, prosocial skills, self-regulation, brain breaks and relaxation exercises. The activities are meant to be part of lessons, daily schedules, or to be used on-hand. The activities are geared to avoid challenging behaviors.

All That Sugar & Fat - *HSN - Basic Level - Renee Stonebraker*

Healthy and unhealthy types of fat, different types of sugar and food sources for fat and sugar are reviewed.

Creating a Self-Care Plan for YOU! - *HSN; Prof. & Leadership - Basic Level - Melissa Cuppett and Ali Svolos*

Self-Care is more than just taking a bubble bath or going for a walk. It is the practice of taking an active role in one's own well-being and happiness, especially during times of stress. This training will help early childhood educators understand the different types of self-care and how to put a self-care plan into place while at home and at work!

Creative Curriculum - *Environment & Curriculum - Basic Level -- Mariah Burnley*

This online training is an overview of how to implement the Creative Curriculum for Preschool. This session will give direction on how to use the lesson plans book discussion cards, mighty minutes and the general idea of Creative Curriculum in a preschool classroom. **This training is intended and geared toward Preschool teachers.**

Cultural Connections in Childcare Today - *Family & Community Partnerships - Basic Level -- Chris Gillis*

This training will focus on the importance of connecting with young children and how educators can develop a deeper understanding of their attitudes, values and beliefs. **This online training is geared for childcare providers working with children ages 3 - 5.**

Dramatic Play: What Goes There? - *Environment & Curriculum - Basic Level -- Mariah Burnley*

This one hour online session will help you setup and prepare your dramatic play area for a great ECERS evaluation. This session will discuss what materials belong in this center, the developmental areas covered when children play in this area and what DIY materials we can add to allow the children to explore the dramatic play area. **This session is for teachers working in a classroom with children three and up however anyone can benefit form this class and make accommodations to fit their age group.**

Hooray for Outdoor Play! Supervision - *CGD - Basic Level -- Chris Gillis*

This training will discuss the benefits of outdoor play for both children and educators. We will brainstorm strategies to support and challenge children in developmentally appropriate ways. **This online training is geared for childcare providers working with children ages 3 - 5.**

New Recipe Ideas 1- *Child Growth & Development - HSN - Basic Level -- Renee Stonebraker*

Unique foods to try from most food groups, healthy versions of children's favorite foods and snack ideas are discussed.

Looking to Learn, Learning to Look- *Child Observation & Assessment - Basic Level -- Mariah Burnley*

This online training explains the importance of observing, recording and sharing information and how to plan curriculum based on group and individual needs. Attendees will learn strategies for observing and note taking for assessments.

Mindfulness in the Classroom - *Child Growth & Development - Basic Level - Ali Svolos*

This two hour course will provide participants with a base knowledge of what mindfulness is. The course will include strategies and practices on how to teach children mindful awareness and create a mindful classroom. **This course is for preschool and school age classrooms.**



Today is a good day for you to grow something in the garden of your mind!

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July - August - September Professional Development Training Descriptions Continued

Music Matters - CG&D; Environment & Curriculum - Basic Level - Melissa Cuppett

This 2-hour online training will give early childhood educators a better understanding and appreciation for the importance of music in the classroom. The training will discuss the benefits of music in each of the developmental domains, music/movement activities to utilize across various area (ie; - music and science and music and math) and how to create a music center in the classroom or improve the music center if one already exists.

This training is intended and geared toward Preschool/Pre-K teachers.

It does not incorporate information for children under the age of 3.

Nutrition Basics - HSN - Basic Level - Renee Stonebraker

This training discusses MyPlate food groups, serving sizes, and food labels.

The 3 R's: Reaching the Learning Brain in Young Children - CGD; Child Observation & Assm't - Basic Level -- Linda Reeves

Early childhood educators are continually faced with young children who have experienced adversity or trauma in their lives who are struggling with learning and behavioral challenges at home and/or in the classroom. This 1.5 hour online training will explore specific practical strategies to help vulnerable young children to think, learn and reflect using the model of the 3 R's (Regulate, Relate, Reason) developed by Dr. Bruce Perry, MD a pioneering neuroscientist in the field of trauma. **Open to all who work with infants, toddlers, and preschoolers in a variety of settings.**

Teamwork! Working Together to Make it Work! - CGD; Environment & Curriculum - Basic Level -- Melissa Cuppett & Ali Svolos

This online training is for beginning early childhood educators looking for tips, tricks and positive ways to work together in childcare centers. During this two-hour training, the presenters and participants will discuss the importance of professionalism, self-care, and ways to build strong relationships with coworkers.



New Update



ACDS will be returning to
In-Person classes!
Registration Deadline
August 20, 2021
Classes Begin the week of
August 30th!



Continue to study
and learn new skills.



Apprenticeship for Child Development Specialist

Registration is open and fall classes will be returning to in-person! We will also offer one virtual class for each of the four semesters. Counties that do not typically have in-person classes will have priority in registering for the virtual classes. All other students wishing to participate virtually will be enrolled in the order they complete the registration process. The maximum number of students for a virtual class is 15. The registration deadline is **August 20, 2021**. Students applying for virtual classes will be notified of their acceptance after August 20, 2021. All classes will begin the week of August 30, 2021. For registration details and the fall schedule please visit the ACDS website, www.wvacds.org or contact your local council representative. **Late registrations will not be accepted.**

HOW TO REGISTER FOR CLASSES

1. **All students** must complete an **online orientation** for the semester they are enrolling in. The orientations are available on the WV STARS website, www.wvstars.org. Students can be either on the WV STARS pathway or registry. The orientations can be found on the training calendar by searching online courses.
2. **All students** must complete and submit a **registration form** to ACDS. The registration form is part of the orientation and should be completed and uploaded into the WV STARS system. However, we will also accept registrations sent through email, mail and fax.
3. All students must submit the **\$25.00 registration fee** directly to ACDS. ACDS accepts business, personal and bank drafted checks and money orders made payable to River Valley Child Development Services (RVCDs). ACDS now accepts debit/credit card payments. To pay using a credit card visit the ACDS website or contact ACDS for a **credit card submission form**. We CANNOT accept payments over the telephone because the credit card submission form must be signed by the card holder. All forms of payments should be accompanied by the payment submission form also located on the ACDS website. Completing this form helps ensure that your payment will be credited accurately and timely.

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This program is being presented with financial assistance as a grant from the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources and is administered by West Virginia Early Childhood Training Connections and Resources, a program of River Valley Child Development Services.



Reminders to Providers Regarding Monthly Billing Procedures

- Each child must be signed into care and signed out of care by the client/designee. Child Care Centers may continue to use an electronic sign in and out system and may substitute reports generated by their systems if parents sign off at the end of each month.
- All children must have their own attendance sheet.
- Childcare clients shall mark each child's time in and out, designated AM or PM, daily in the box provided. Times must be shown as AM or PM.
- Form must be completed in ink, please do not use a pencil when completing.
- Corrections are not to be made with "white-out", parents and providers should place a line through the incorrect information, make corrections and initial them.
- Errors identified by CCRC staff, will be returned to the childcare provider for corrections.
- Childcare clients must sign the bottom of each attendance form at the end of each month as verification of the validity of the information on the form.
- Child Care center will submit attendance sheets biannually unless errors are found requiring a monthly submission.

If you have any questions regarding your childcare billing please contact your local CCRC Office

Doing Our Best to Meet Your Needs



The Professional Development team works hard to meet your professional development needs. It doesn't do anyone any good if we offer trainings that you are not interested in and don't attend. This is why we would love to get your feedback and suggestions on what you like or need in the way of professional development so we can create trainings that you will enjoy.

The training team consists of 2 Infant Toddler Specialists, 2 Early Childhood Specialists, 2 Behavioral Consultants, 1 Early Childhood TRAILS Specialist, 1 Early Childhood TRAILS Associate, and 1 Quality Improvement Specialist. We also work closely with the Nurse Health Consultant and the Child Care Health Educator. Each of these positions has their own area of expertise. You will often see trainings that are heavily focused in certain Core Knowledge Areas from specific trainers. For example, the Nurse Health Consultant and Child Care Health Educators trainings will be focused on Health & Safety. The Early Childhood Specialists will be focused on Environment & Curriculum. These are their fields of expertise. The same goes for every Professional Development Team member. We are in the process of trying to incorporate more Professionalism & Leadership and Administration & Management into our trainings, however we must make sure that the training accurately reflects the proper Core Knowledge Area. Currently, Professionalism & Leadership and Administration & Management are typically offered by our Quality Improvement Specialist, whose focus is providing training and support to childcare directors, administrators and/or those in a leadership role. Now that so many trainings are being offered online, you can easily search for the Core Knowledge Area that interests you and you would like training in by going to the WV STARS website > Training Calendar > click on the All Categories drop-down box and choose the Core Knowledge Area that interests you. Our online training attendance has been wonderful and we **Thank You** all for your support and training suggestions during the COVID-19 pandemic. We hope to be offering in-person trainings in the near future. Be on the lookout for a survey to come out on the listserv that will solicit your training needs.



Pathway to Earnings Increase your Earnings

Available to child care providers and directors working in a licensed child care center, licensed child care facility, or registered family child care home.

Fall 2021 Enrollment will begin October 1st

For more information, visit the WV STARS website -- wvstars.org -- click on Earnings

Family/Facility Childcare Providers Only!

PEP CLUB!

Providers Encouraging Providers

July 13th --- Tuesday --- 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

The PEP Club is the place to be for Family and Facility childcare providers to meet, share ideas, and support one another.

To join the meeting go to

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/574050757>

Contact Chris Gillis if you have questions

304-232-1603 or chris.l.gillis@wv.gov



Health & Safety Grants

Health and safety grant applications are available through CCRC to family child care providers and family child care facilities in Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzell, Tyler, Monongalia, and Marion Counties.

The grants can be used to assist these home providers with meeting health and safety requirements as well as to reward them for completing the requirements to move up a tier on the tiered reimbursement program.

Providers are eligible for up to \$250 for registered home providers and up to \$500 for family child care facilities once a year.

If you are interested in receiving free health or safety items for your home please contact your local CCRC office to request a grant application.



Child Care Resource Center
2000 Main Street - Suite 100
Wheeling, WV 26003

Child Care Resource Center

Concerned about your
child's development?

Get help early!

Call 1-866-321-4728

www.WVDHHR.org/Birth23



Services are provided in the child's natural environment & at no cost to families.
Eligibility is not based on income.

WV Birth to Three RAU-I is a program of  Catholic Charities West Virginia

WV Birth to Three services and supports are provided under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) and administered through the WV Department of Health and Human Services Office of Maternal Child and Family Health.



Advice from a

WILDFLOWER



Show your true colors -- Delight in simple pleasures

Celebrate your natural beauty -- Open up!

Spread seeds of joy -- It's OK to be a late bloomer

Be wild & wonderful!