

WV Child Care General Credential & Specializations

The Child Care Resource Center is Happy to Announce that 3 additional Child Care Providers have been approved for the WV General Child Care Credential & 1 Child Care Provider has been approved for the Infant/Toddler Specialization! **Congratulations!**

General Credential

1. Jasmine Reynolds - King's Daughters Child Care
2. Connie Nutter - Morgantown ELF
3. Terra Crews - Holy Family Child Care
4. Jamie Remp - King's Daughters Child Care
5. Amanda Cronin - King's Daughters Child Care
6. Amanda Blatt - King's Daughters Child Care
7. Wendi Glover - Storybook Daycare
8. Stella Bryan - PLAYS Child Care
9. Bobbi McClelland - Storybook Daycare
10. Paula Volansky - Pleasant Day Schools
11. Shari McAllister - Little Bear Daycare
12. Ashley Cork - Little Bear Daycare
13. Sabrine Westfall - Little Bear Daycare
14. Robin Taylor - Little Bear Daycare
15. Jessica Smith - Little Bear Daycare
16. Sarah Freck - King's Daughters Child Care
17. Lindsey Kelly - Little Bear Daycare
18. Cynthia Wood - Little Bear Daycare
19. Cassandra Morell - Place of Grace ELC
20. Tiffany Gale - Miss Tiffany's School for Young Children (Facility)

General Credential Continued

21. Audra Billingsley - King's Daughters Child Care
22. Kaitlyn Harris - King's Daughters Child Care
23. Lisa Loughery - Suncrest Early Learning Center
24. Phyllis Agnew - Family Child Care
25. Ariel Cogar - Life Kids Child Development Center
26. Tammy Cole - Learning Land Daycare & Preschool
27. Julie Gale - Miss Tiffany's School for Young Children (Facility)
28. Elizabeth Goff - Miss Tiffany's Early Childhood Education House (Facility)
29. Aleah Webster - Miss Tiffany's Early Childhood Education House (Facility)
30. Ginger Aulick - Sikora Montessori

Director Specialization

1. Jasmine Reynolds - King's Daughters Child Care
2. Jamie Remp - King's Daughters Child Care
3. Terra Crews - Holy Family Child Care



Infant/Toddler Specialization

1. Shari McAllister - Little Bear Daycare - Weirton
2. Lisa Loughery - Suncrest Early Learning Center



Please note that the names above may no longer be working at the child care listed. The child care next to the name is where they were working when they were approved for the credential/specialization.

CCRC Office Locations

Hours: 8:30 to 4:30 unless otherwise noted

Hancock County -- DHHR Office
100 Municipal Plaza Weirton, WV

Wednesday Only - 9:30 am to 3:30 pm
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 - DHHR Office

400 Teletech Dr. Moundsville, WV
Wednesday Only - 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Contact the Wheeling Office for Questions

Monongalia County

320 Scott Avenue, Suite 302
Morgantown, WV 26508
304-292-7357 or 888-272-7357

Marion County

320 Adams Street - Suite 106
Fairmont, WV 26554
304-366-3615

Tyler & Wetzel County

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

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Celebrating Connections Registration Now Open



March 19-21, 2025

Celebrating Connections
Leading The Way Through
Collaborative Relationships

Join us in 2025 for information about practices, policies, planning, and research; to have the opportunity to network with other professionals; and participate in a diverse array of early childhood education discussions.



Melissa Cuppett - CCRC Behavior Consultant & Sommer Robinson - CCRC Early Childhood Specialist, will present **Creating Positive Environments to Encourage Appropriate Behaviors in Preschool Classrooms** on Wednesday, March 19th from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm -- they would love to see you there!

Charleston Coliseum & Convention Center
Charleston, WV

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

Online

Online Classes Begin March 27, 2025

4:30pm to 8:00 pm

Administrators Course - Online

March 21, 2025 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm

If you are a center director and have not taken the WVIT II administrator course, this must be completed before sending your staff to WVIT II

Please contact:

Andrea Littleton - Infant/Toddler Specialist, if you would like to register or have questions

304-232-1603 or andrea.n.littleton@wv.gov

WVIT II Online Schedule

Session 1	Thursday March 27	4:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Session 2	Thursday April 3	4:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Session 3	Thursday April 10	4:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Session 4	Thursday April 24	4:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Session 5	Thursday May 1	4:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Session 6	Thursday May 8	4:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Session 7	<u>WEDNESDAY May 21</u>	<u>4:30 pm - 8:00 pm</u>
Session 8	Thursday May 29	4:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Session 9	Thursday June 5	4:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Session 10	Thursday June 12	4:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Please note that WVIT Dates and/or Times may need to be rescheduled due to mandatory training/meetings for the Infant/Toddler Specialists.

RR Spreading HOPE

The Spreading HOPE training will cover the effects of ACEs on health outcomes, the importance of positive childhood experiences, and the research showing their mitigating effects on ACEs as well as the biological basis for these effects. We will introduce the four building blocks of HOPE and discuss type 1 vs. type 2 thinking. The presentation will present some ideas of how to incorporate the HOPE Framework into practice.

Presented By: Linda Reeves, Behavior Consultant

Date: April 23, 2025 (Wednesday)

ONLINE

Time: 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm



Did you know most new parents return to work within the first year of their baby's life with little to no support through the breastfeeding process? The many benefits of breastfeeding for babies and mothers are immediate and long lasting. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), babies who are breastfed have a lower risk of: *Asthma Obesity - Type 1 diabetes Ear infections - Sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS) - Severe lower respiratory disease*

Childcare providers can play an important role in supporting a parent's choice to breastfeed. By earning the West Virginia Breastfeeding Friendly Childcare Designation, childcare providers commit to following best practices to support breastfeeding families and employees.

This program is open to all licensed childcare centers, registered facilities, and family child care providers.

Providers can receive start up materials and support from the Child Care Nurse Health Consultants, Child Care Health Educators, and Infant Toddler Coaching Specialists while completing the ten required steps for earning the designation.

After completion, each site will receive a bonus stipend and recognition at the Great Beginnings Infant/Toddler Conference or Celebrating Connections. Apply today using the QR code below!

For More Information Contact: Clarissa Wade at
304-366-3615 or clarissa.b.wade@wv.gov





Early Childhood PBIS Director Overview

Online



Tuesday, April 29, 2025 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

This is an overview of the Pyramid Model and summary of the ECPBIS modules, intended for Directors and others in leadership roles.

If a Child Care Center Employee registers for the Early Childhood PBIS module series, the Center Director must attend the PBIS Director Overview. A maximum of 2 employees per center will be permitted to register at this time --

A waitlist will be utilized if needed.

For More Information Contact:

Melissa Cuppett, Behavior Consultant at 304-292-7357 or melissa.a.cuppett@wv.gov

Early Childhood Positive Behavior Intervention & Support (EC-PBIS)

Online

The Early Childhood Positive Behavior Support Intervention and Support Series consists of five modules (two hours each) on social emotional development supports in all Early Childhood settings. The modules are based on the Pyramid Model, which follows the public health model of prevention, promotion, and intervention.

To receive ten hours of WV STARS credit, all modules must be completed.
Open only to CHILD CARE Centers in Region I who provide services to children (three to five years).



All Classes Will Be Held
12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Session 1:	5/6/25	Tuesday
Session 2:	5/13/25	Tuesday
Session 3:	5/20/25	Tuesday
Session 4:	5/27/25	Tuesday
Session 5:	6/3/25	Tuesday

This is an ONLINE Training Event!

For More Information Contact:
Melissa Cuppett at 304-392-7357 or
melissa.a.cuppett@wv.gov

Understanding ACEs 101

Adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) are potentially traumatic events that occur before a child reaches the age of 18. Such experiences can interfere with a person's health, opportunities, and stability throughout his or her lifetime. The Understanding ACEs 101 training will discuss ACEs and their impact on children and adults, introduce ways to overcome ACEs through resilience, and introduce strategies to prevent ACEs by shedding light on potential risk factors.

Presented By: Linda Reeves, Behavior Consultant

Date: May 21, 2025 (Wednesday)

ONLINE

Time: 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm





Family & Facility Professional Development PEP Club



Providers Encouraging Providers

ON-LINE for Monongalia & Marion Counties

Tuesday - May 13, 2025

6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

PEP Club is the place to be for Facility & Family Child Care Providers to meet, share ideas, participate in training and support one another!

Contact our TRAILS Department to register at 304-232-1603 or chris.l.gillis@wv.gov

Receive 1 hour of WV STARS Credit

WV Child Care General Credential and Specialization Logo's



General Credential



Pre-School Specialization



Director Specialization



Family Child Care Specialization -
Includes Facility



Infant/Toddler Specialization

After-School Specialization
Coming Soon!

The WEST VIRGINIA Child Care Credential is a Voluntary professional development program. All interested participants must complete the General Credential first, then a Specialization can be added.

If anyone is interested in obtaining their WV Child Care General Credential or one of the four (4) Specializations, please contact Cathy Knox at cathy.i.knox@wv.gov or 232-1603 for the **most current information and requirements.**



CCHE ONLINE

April 2	Nutrition Basics 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
April 14	Safe Sleep Practices 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
April 30	Infant Feeding 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
May 12	New Recipe Ideas 1 6:30 pm - 8:30pm
May 20	Childhood Obesity 12:30pm - 1:30 pm
May 29	New Recipe Ideas 2 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
June 3	Stress Management 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
June 10	Indoor and Outdoor Safety 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
June 24	Breastfeeding Basics 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

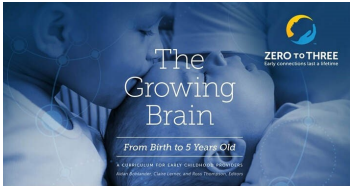
Additional Training Available From the WV Child Care Health Educator

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

To request a specific training, please contact Renee



Renee Stonebraker, RS -- Child Care Health Educator
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The Growing Brain Module Series Training

In Person



This innovative training focuses on giving trainers evidence-informed strategies with which to prepare early childhood providers for their vital role in building healthy brains. The curriculum fills a unique niche by providing a comprehensive understanding of how the brain develops, along with ways the provider can encourage healthy brain development in children from birth to 5 years old.

Participants will learn skills and strategies for:

1. Teaching early childhood providers about brain development (architecture and neurobiology) to inform their practice.
2. Supporting language, cognition, prosocial behavior, and social-emotional development.
3. Reducing toxic stress that can negatively influence brain development of very young children.

The Growing Brain: From Birth to 5 Years Old is comprised of seven 3-hour units.

- Unit 1: Brain Basics
- Unit 2: Factors Affecting Brain Growth and Development
- Unit 3: Communication and Language Development
- Unit 4: Cognition and Executive Function
- Unit 5: Social–Emotional Development
- Unit 6: Understanding Behavior
- Unit 7: The Everyday Play

Attendance is mandatory for the first & last module. No more than one absence is permitted in the series to receive a WV STARS certificate for 21 hours. If one absence is approved; makeup work will include reading the material for the missed module as well as vocabulary study, completions of unit handouts, and a proof of learning.

Monongalia County

Child Care Resource Center

20 Scott Ave. - Suite 302 - Morgantown, WV

Marshall County

Glen Dale Child Development Center

700 Wheeling Ave. Glen Dale, WV

All Classes Will Be Held 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Session 1:	4/24/25	Thursday
Session 2:	5/1/25	Thursday
Session 3:	5/8/25	Thursday
Session 4:	5/15/25	Thursday
Session 5:	5/22/25	Thursday
Session 6:	5/29/25	Thursday
Session 7:	6/5/25	Thursday

This is an In-Person Training Event!

All Classes Will Be Held 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Session 1:	5/12/25	Monday
Session 2:	5/19/25	Monday
Session 3:	5/27/25	Tuesday
Session 4:	6/2/25	Monday
Session 5:	6/9/25	Monday
Session 6:	6/16/25	Monday
Session 7:	6/23/25	Monday

This is an In-Person Training Event!

For More Information Please Contact
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For More Information Please Contact
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or
Katelin Flinn at katelin.m.flinn@wv.gov
or
304-232-1603

Family & Facility Professional Development

WV ELEMENTS of FAMILY CHILD CARE - REVISED



A module series for Family Child Care and Facility Providers

Classes will be held In Person at the Wheeling, CCRC Office on Thursdays from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

DATES:

April 3, 2025
 April 10, 2025
 April 24, 2025
 May 8, 2025
 May 15, 2025
 May 22, 2025
 May 29, 2025
 June 5, 2025

SESSIONS:

Session 1: Building a Firm Foundations
 Session 2: Knowing How Children Develop & Learn Part 1
 Session 3: Knowing How Children Develop & Learn Part 2
 Session 4: Organizing Your Home & Day
 Session 5: What Children are Learning Part 1
 Session 6: What Children are Learning Part 2
 Session 7: Caring & Teaching
 Session 8: Building a Partnership with Families

Contact TRAILS to Register!

304-232-1603

Chris Gillis
chris.l.gillis@wv.gov
 or
 Ashley Long
ashley.d.long@wv.gov

T.R.I.P (Traveling Resources for Infants Program)

Attention Family Child Care Providers!

We want to support you in your many roles as you care for and support infants and toddlers. The Traveling Resources for Infants Program, TRIP, is an important part of the support system created to help family child care providers across the state of West Virginia by providing high quality materials and training. Our infant toddler coaching specialist, in collaboration with your TRAILS team, is available to meet with you to discuss your needs and provide individualized support.

If you are interested in learning more about ways to support infant/toddler development, health and safety, or to access additional materials for use in your setting please reach out today!

Contact Clarissa Wade, Infant Toddler Coaching Specialist, through email at clarissa.b.wade@wv.gov or by phone at 304-366-3615.

Child Care Director Professional Development

Quality Counts

Why does high - quality childcare matter?

Because the need for quality childcare has never been greater!

But what does it look like in our state? And how can we help?

Through group discussion and the use of media, early childhood educators will examine program supports that are necessary to achieve and maintain quality childcare and the important role they play within the process.



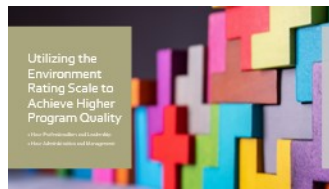
Online Training

Wednesday May 7, 2025 --- 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Planning Your Professional Growth

during this virtual training you will learn:

- Professional Development as it relates to Quality Child Care
- The Importance of Professional Development and Individual Planning
- Understanding WV Core Knowledge and Competencies
- How to make Professional Development Planning work for you



Online Training

Wednesday - May 21, 2025 --- 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Coming Soon - Professional Development Opportunities

CCRC will be offering a Summer Learning Summit!

This will be a training for **School Age Providers** to help plan for play during the summer months!

Lunch Provided

FREE Resources

6 Hours WV STARS Credit

More Information will be shared as it becomes available!



COMING SOON
LEADERSHIP SUMMIT:
PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION TOOLS FOR HIGHER QUALITY

Attention Child Care Directors!

Please join our Quality Improvement Specialists for a one day professional development summit discussing us of the Program Administration Scale to improve overall program quality.

Date and location to be announced soon!

An illustration of a woman in a pink jacket watering several potted plants. One plant is being held up by a small figure.

This Leadership Summit will be held on **Saturday, June 28th** in Charleston, WV

** specific location to be announced soon!*



WVIT I- R

Tentatively Scheduled for July 2025



If you are interested in attending please contact **Tonia Ross** in the Morgantown/Fairmont area at 304-292-7357 or tonia.l.ross@wv.gov or **Andrea Littleton** in the Wheeling area at 304-232-1603 or andrea.n.littleton@wv.gov

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 childcare 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



WV STARS Pathway to Earnings

Enrollment Opens April 1, 2025!

Pathway to Earnings is a wage incentive program available to child care providers and directors working in a licensed child care center, licensed child care facility, or registered family child care home. To view a listing of the certifications/degrees and award amounts please visit the WV STARS website <https://wvstars.org/>, click on the Earnings tab and then on the flyer.

Applicants are eligible to apply once a year and after their initial award, are required to meet a renewal requirement. Pathway to Earnings is awarded based on funding availability.

To apply for Earnings, go to wvstars.org and click on the Earnings tab!





Training Topics Offered April - May - June



Online Professional Development

April 8, 2025 (Tuesday)	Understanding ECERS	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
June 11, 2025 (Wednesday)	Creating Expression for Self-Regulations: Using Fine & Gross Motor Art Activities to Support Social Emotional Learning in Young Children	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
June 17, 2025 (Tuesday)	Creative Curriculum Overview	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
June 24, 2025 (Tuesday)	ITERS-#3 Overview	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
June 26, 2025 (Thursday)	Understanding ECERS	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Training Descriptions

Creating Expression for Self-Regulations: Using Fine & Gross Motor Art Activities to Support Social Emotional Learning in Young Children -- CG&D - Basic Level -- Linda Reeves

This 90 minute training will explore how art can be used as a powerful tool to foster social-emotional learning (SEL) in children from birth to six years. Participants will learn how fine and gross motor art activities support self-regulation, emotional expression, and social skills development. The session will cover practical strategies for integrating art into daily routines, and hands on activities that help young children process emotions, build relationships, and develop problem solving skills.

Creative Curriculum for Infants/Toddlers and Twos Overview -- CG&D- Environment & Curriculum -- Basic Level
Andrea Littleton

This online training is a brief overview for child care directors and teachers serving infants and toddlers in a child care center. The training will review developmentally appropriate practice and how daily routines and meaningful experiences that are responsive to infant/toddler strengths, interests, and needs will help them gain confidence in themselves as learners.

ITERS-3 Overview -- CG&D - Child Ob. - Environment & Curriculum - Basic Level -- Andrea Littleton

This online training provides an overview of the ITERS-3 observation tool. Participants will learn what the ITERS-3 is and how it can be used to support learning and development in infant/toddler settings. Learners will also practice scoring observations.

Understanding ECERS -- CG&D - Child Ob. - Environment & Curriculum -- Basic Level -- Katelin Flinn

This training is an overview of ECERS-3. Become knowledgeable on activities and required materials. Organize subheading under correct headings and understand the key concepts of ECERS-3

Child Care Nurse Health Consultant Online Training

Medication Administration

Participants will be introduced to safe medication handling and administration practices. This training is required for providers to administer medication to children in the childcare setting.



April 3, 2025 (Thursday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
April 16, 2025 (Wednesday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
April 22, 2025 (Tuesday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
April 30, 2025 (Wednesday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
May 6, 2025 (Tuesday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
May 10, 2025 (SATURDAY)	8:00 am - 11:00 am
May 16, 2025 (Friday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
May 28, 2025 (Wednesday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
June 4, 2025 (Wednesday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
June 9, 2025 (Monday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
June 17, 2025 (Tuesday)	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Child Care Nurse Health Consultant Online Training


Health & Safety

	April 1, 2025 (Tuesday)	Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	April 8, 2025 (Tuesday)	Morning Health Checks	12:00 pm - 1:00pm
	April 10, 2025 (Thursday)	Diabetes in Child Care	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
	April 17, 2025 (Thursday)	All About Allergies	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	April 29, 2025 (Tuesday)	Communicable Diseases	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	May 2, 2025 (Friday)	Creepy Crawley Creatures	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	May 13, 2025 (Tuesday)	All About Allergies	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	May 14, 2025 (Wednesday)	Diabetes in Child Care	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
	May 21, 2025 (Wednesday)	Summertime Safety	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	May 30, 2025 (Friday)	Creepy Crawley Creatures	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	June 2, 2025, (Monday)	Communicable Diseases	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	June 11, 2025 (Wednesday)	Summertime Safety	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	June 23, 2025 (Monday)	All About Allergies	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	June 26, 2025 (Thursday)	Diabetes in Child Care	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm





Allison Taylor - RN -- Nurse Health Consultant
ataylor@rvcds.org
 Text/Call: 304-840-2482

Training Topic	Training Description
All About Allergies	Information about managing allergies in childcare setting, including food, insect, and seasonal allergies.
Communicable Diseases	Tips for minimizing the spread of infection in programs as well as information about common communicable diseases.
Creepy, Crawly Creatures	Information about parasites commonly identified in a childcare setting as well as guidelines for preventing an outbreak.
 Diabetes in Child Care	This training includes information from American Diabetes Association Safe at School campaign regarding the basic needs that children with diabetes need throughout the day.
Morning Health Checks	Explanation about what a morning health check is as well as how one is conducted.
Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome	This training discusses the symptoms that infants exposed to substance in utero experience.
Summertime Safety	Playing outdoors is beneficial for children, but if proper precautions aren't taken, outdoor activities can be harmful. This training includes information about sun, water, and bug safety.