

The Quality Times 1st Quarter Summer Edition - 2024/2025

July - August - September 2024



WV Child Care General Credential & Specializations

The Child Care Resource Center is Happy to Announce that 22 Child Care Providers in Region I have received their WV Child Care General Credential and

3 Child Care Directors have received the Directors Specialization!

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

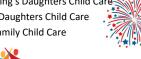


General Credential Continued

- 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
- 21. Audra Billingsley King's Daughters Child Care
- 22. Kaitlyn Harris King's Daughters Child Care

Director's Specialization

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





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.

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.j.knox@wv.gov or 232-1603 for the most current information and requirements.

The requirements are very specific - for example Mind in the Making is no longer acceptable for the General Credential, you must now have The Growing Brain.

Mind in the Making is now required for the Preschool Specialization.

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Child Care Credential

The requirements for conference attendance is also very specific.

Please reach out to Cathy Knox for any questions.



Save the Date - Great Beginnings



This is a wonderful professional development opportunity in which you receive quality training, WV STARS hours and you just might walk away with an awesome item or resource for your classroom/facility/home.

This conference also meets the WV Child Care General Credential and Specialization

requirement.





CCRC Office Locations

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 Morgantown, WV 26508 304-292-7357 or 888-272-7357

Marion County

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

The Marion County office is only open on

Wednesdays and Fridays

(except on holidays)
until further notice

Tyler & Wetzel County

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

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Child Care Director Professional Development



Wednesday - July 10, 2024 11:00 am to 12:00 pm - - - Online



<u>Quality Counts</u> is an in depth look at program supports that are necessary to achieve and maintain quality childcare and the important role early childhood educators play within the process.

.5 hr Professionalism & Leadership --- .5 hr Administration & Management

Child Care Director Discussion/Training

This first round of director's discussion/training will be held virtually in August.

Lacy Gaston, CCRC Quality Improvement Specialist will host these events to learn about you, your needs as a director and how she can support you.

Both new and veteran director's will benefit from attending these meetings/trainings.

Hancock/Brooke Counties

August 6, 2024 - Tuesday 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Ohio/Marshall Counties

August 13, 2024 - Tuesday 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Monongalia/Marion Counties

August 20, 2024 - Tuesday 12:00 pm to 1:00 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

Training will be Held on the Following Days from 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Tuesday - September 10th

Thursday - September 12th

Tuesday - September 17th

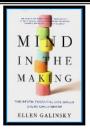
Thursday - September 19th

Tuesday - September 24th

Thursday - September 26th

Monday - September 30th

If you are interested in attending one or all of these trainings, or have any questions, contact Lacy Gaston at 304-232-1603 or lacy.j.gaston@wv.gov



Mind In The Making!



Online

Mind in the Making is an 8 week learning process that uses research on children's development, including classic and recent studies on how children learn and how teaching can encourage engaged learning.

Overview Session for Center and Facility Director's Wednesday - August 14, 2024 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

The overview session is mandatory for child care center/facility directors to attend before a staff person can attend.

All Directors sending staff to Mind in the Making Must Attend the Overview, even if you attended in the past.

Directors who sent staff to the Mind in the Making in October 2022 or after and attended the Directors Overview

DO NOT need to attend. If you have questions, please contact Sommer Robinson.

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Thursday - August 15th	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Thursday - August 22nd	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Thursday - August 29th	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Thursday - September 5th	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Thursday - September 12th	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Thursday - September 19th	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Thursday - September 26th	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Thursday - October 3rd	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Identifying Environmental

Resources Will Be Provided Upon Completion of the Module Series!

Only 15 Spots Available!

For More Information & To Register:

Call or email Sommer Robinson at 304-336-3615 or

sommer.r.robinson@wv.gov



16	Hazards 1 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
July	Nutrition Basics
22	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
July 30	Identifying Environmental Hazards 2 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
August	Let's Make a Menu
8	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
August	Safe Sleep Practices
20	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
August	Infant Feeding
26	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
September	New Recipe Ideas 1
5	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
September	Childhood Obesity
19	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
September 24	New Recipe Ideas 2 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Child Care Health Educator Online Training



Additional Training Available From the WV Child Care Health Educator

All That Sugar and Fat	Let's Move
BeansMore 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

CCRC Welcomes New Staff!



Subsidy Child Care Specialist

Hello! My name is **Julie Horowitz**. I joined the CCRC team on April 15th, 2024 as a Child Care Specialist. While studying for my bachelor's degree at WVU, I was an assistant teacher at the WVUH Child Development Center. I continued to work at the Child Development Center for 3 years, after graduating, before moving to New Jersey and working in a childcare center there as an assistant teacher. After that, I was a nanny for 3 years. Since moving back to WV in 2020, I worked in sales until October 2023. I had my first little girl in October and decided I wanted something more family friendly when I returned to work from maternity leave. I enjoy being a mom very much and I love watching my daughter learn and grow!

The CCRC has been a very positive move for me. I am happy to be back in a field where I feel like I am making a difference and helping the community. I have had a wonderful experience so far at the CCRC and I can't wait to see what the future holds with this team. I will be working and traveling between the Morgantown and Fairmont offices.

You can reach me at 304-292-7357 (Morgantown) or 304-366-3615 (Fairmont) and through email at julie.r.horowitz@wv.gov



Administrative Assistant

Hi, my name is Holly Everly. I am very pleased to join the team in Morgantown as the Administrative Assistant. I have a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication Studies from West Virginia University and have worked various jobs as an administrative assistant, helping the community and those in need.

I love animals and enjoy spending time with my cats, friends and family.

I am looking forward to working with you.

I am located at the CCRC Morgantown office.

You can reach me at 304-292-7357 or holly.l.everly@wv.gov







Job Promotion!



Subsidy Supervisor

On March 25, 2024, Allie Manning was promoted to the position of Subsidy Supervisor.

Allie originally joined the CCRC Team in 2020 as a Subsidy Case Manager.

Allie is a 2014 graduate of West Virginia University. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Child Development with a concentration in Youth and Family Studies.

Allie enjoys spending time with her family, exploring time outdoors and attending Mountaineer sporting events.

Allies office is located at Morgantown CCCR location and she can be reached at 304-292-7357 or allison.k.manning@wv.gov



Family & Facility Professional Development



PEP Club



Providers Encouraging Providers

In Person - Ohio County!

Thursday - July 18, 2024 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

CCRC Wheeling - - - 2000 Main Street, Wheeling --- 3rd Floor/Ballroom

PEP Club is the place to be for <u>Facility & Family Child Care Providers</u> 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

Family Child Care Positive Behavior Intervention Support (FCC-PBIS)

Online

The Family Child Care Positive Behavior Intervention Support Series consists of three modules (two hours each) on social emotional development supports in all family child care and facility settings. The modules are based on the Pyramid Model, which follows the public health model of prevention, promotion, and intervention.

To receive 6 hours of WV STARS credit, all modules must be completed.

Open only to FAMILY CHILD CARE & FACILITIES in Region I

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

Session 1: 8/22/24 Thursday

Session 2: 8/29/24 Thursday

Session 3: 9/5/24 Thursday

This is an Online Training Event!

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



This training is a requirement for the WV Child Care Family Child Care Specialization



Family Child Care & Facility Providers

TRAILS Family Child Care & Facility Conference Saturday - November 2, 2024

The TRAILS Family Child Care & Facility Conference is tentatively scheduled for the Bridgeport, WV/Clarksburg, WV area.

This conference meets the requirement for conference attendance for the Tiered Reimbursement Program.

This Conference also meets the requirement for the WV Child Care General Credential for Facility & Family Child Care Providers Only!



More Information Will Be Share As It Becomes Available.





Emergency Prepardness Training

IN PERSON - Wheeling CCRC Thursday - July 25, 2024

Emergency Preparedness helps individuals prepare for instances where they may need to follow emergency plans including updated emergency contact information as well as recognize the importance of including health and safety precautions in daily routines, drills, and emergency situations.

This class is required for the WV Child Care Credential Director's Specialization and will consist of individual TA visits in order to receive credit.



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







The next Caregiver Class will be **in-person** for Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall counties.

Monongalia and Marion county child care staff can attend virtually.

The director and staff member must be credentialed on the WV STARS Career Pathway prior to beginning the class. Please note, a director or assistant director who will be present for the scheduled TACIT visits is required to attend and complete the revised Administrators modules to send staff to WVIT I-R. If you have already taken the revised Admin, then you do not have to repeat the course.

The WVIT 1-R Administrator course has been scheduled virtually for the following dates: August 1st, 12:30-3:30pm and on August 2nd, 12:30-2:30pm. Administrators must attend both sessions.

All Caregiver Sessions will be held on Tuesday's from 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm

The first caregiver class will be held on Tuesday - August 6th

For the full schedule or to register, please contact Andrea Littleton at 304-232-1603 or andrea.n.littleton@wv.gov

This Training Series is REQUIRED for the INFANT/TODDLER Specialization



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 October 1, 2024!



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 wvstart.org and click on the Earnings tab!



Training Topics Offered July - August - September



Online Professional Development

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	July 9, 2024 (Tuesday)	Using Natural and Logical Consequences	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
	July 15, 2024 (Monday)	Understanding ECERS	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	July 23, 2024 (Tuesday)	Include Me! A Guide to Inclusive Child Care	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
	July 24, 2024 (Wednesday)	Creating a Culturally Diverse Classroom	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
	July 30, 2024 (Tuesday)	Hooray for Outdoor Play!	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
ıl	August 21, 2024 (Wednesday)	Spreading HOPE	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
	September 12, 2024 (Thursday)	Creating a Culturally Diverse Classroom	6:30 pm - 8:30pm
	September 25, 2024 (Wednesday)	Understanding ACEs 101	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm



Training Descriptions

<u>Creating a Culturally Diverse Classroom</u> - Basic Level -- Sommer Robinson

This is an ONLINE training is for early childhood educators looking for tips, tricks, and positive ways to create a culturally diverse classroom. This training will focus on providing culturally sensitive care to all age groups.

Hooray for Outdoor Play! - CG&D -- Basic Level -- Chris Gillis

This training will focus on the benefits of outdoor play for young children. We will discuss strategies to support and challenge, using age and developmentally appropriate practices. This online training is for childcare providers working with children ages 3-5 years old.

Include Me! A Guide to Inclusive Child Care - CG&D Environment & Curriculum - Basic Level -- Linda Reeves
Early care & education programs provide a playful and natural environment for all children to grow and develop.
The opportunity for children with disabilities to participate in these experiences with other children has great value. This training will focus on an overview of young children with disabilities, what inclusion in early care and education looks like, benefits of inclusion, working with specialists, and examples of inclusive early care and education strategies. This training is for anyone working with children birth-6 years of age in childcare settings.

Spreading Hope - CG&D; F&CP -Intermediate Level -- Linda Reeves

The 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.

<u>Understanding ACEs 101</u> - CG&D - Basic Level -- Linda Reeves

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.

Understanding ECERS - Basic Level -- Sommer Robinson

If you are an early childhood professional, this course will help you understand the basics about what ECERS observers look for during the observation period and how you can use the ECERS as a guide to improve the quality and effectiveness of your program.

<u>Using Natural and Logical Consequences</u> - Environment & Curriculum -- Basic Level -- Melissa Cuppett

This training was designed to help early childhood educators understand the difference between logical and natural consequences and to be able to allow children to experience natural consequences to guide them to making appropriate choices but also using logical consequences as needed to promote the social and emotional development of children while preventing future challenging behaviors.

Child Care Nurse Health Consultant Online Training Medication Administration

 July 2, 2024 (Tuesday)
 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

 July 22, 2024 (Monday)
 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

 August 3, 2024 (Saturday)
 8:00 am - 11:00 am

 August 13, 2024 (Tuesday)
 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

 August 29, 2024 (Thursday)
 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

 September 11, 2024 (Wednesday)
 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Health & Safety Training

July 8, 2024 (Monday)	Morning Health Checks	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
July 11, 2024 (Thursday)	All About Allergies	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
July 15, 2024 (Monday)	Creepy Crawly Creatures	6:00 pm - 8:00pm
July 17, 2024 (Wednesday)	Summertime Safety	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
July 25, 2024 (Thursday)	Communicable Disease in Child Care	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
August 5, 2024 (Monday)	Creepy Crawly Creatures	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
August 9, 2024 (Friday)	Morning Health Checks	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
August 14, 2024 (Wednesday)	Summertime Safety	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
August 19, 2024 (Monday)	Communicable Disease in Child Care	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
August 22, 2024 (Thursday)	All About Allergies	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
September 3, 2024 (Tuesday)	Creepy Crawly Creatures	6:00 pm - 8:00pm
September 16, 2024 (Monday)	All About Allergies	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
September 19, 2024 (Thursday)	Communicable Disease in Child Care	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
September 25, 2024 (Wednesday)	Morning Health Checks	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm



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Lisa Galford, MSN, RN -- Nurse Health Consultant |galford@rvcds.org | Text/Call: 304-840-8560

Training Topic	Training Description
All About Allergies	Information about managing allergies in the 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.
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.
Morning Health Checks	A task to perform to help identify when a child may not be well enough for child care. This presentation will explain what a morning health check is as well as how to conduct it.
Summertime Safety	Information about recognizing and preventing various heat related conditions along with first aid for each condition. Water and Bug Safety is included.