

QUALITY COUNTS

Early Care and Education Continuous Quality Improvement

Broward County Support to Providers



Child Care

START UP ASSISTANCE

- Broward County Department of Child Care Licensing and Enforcement
 - Regulations
 - Floor plans
 - Pre-licensing TA visits

954-954-537-2800

- Child Care Resource and Referral
 - Licensing assistance
 - Room arrangement
 - Materials selection
 - Marketing

Resource and Referral Hotline

954-724-4609



Quality Rating

- FREE assessment of program strengths and challenges by highly training early care and education specialists.

**Broward County Child Care Licensing
and Enforcement**

QRS: 954-761-2137



Quality Improvement ASSISTANCE

- *from...*Family Central, Inc.
 - 157 programs (including Family Child Care Homes)
 - Based on baseline ERS results
 - Work with director to improve all rooms/ages
 - Coaches visit 1-2 times a month
 - Accreditation consultation when ready
 - Mini-grants available to programs that meet benchmarks established with their coaches.

**Must be referred through
Quality Rating** (see slide 3)



Quality Improvement ASSISTANCE

- *from...* Broward County Public Schools
 - 63 child care programs
 - Located near low-performing elementary schools
 - Mentors visit weekly
 - Work with director to improve all rooms/ages
 - Transition planning with local elementary school
 - Mini-grants available to programs that meet benchmarks established with their mentors.

If the majority of children enrolled in your program will attend a kindergarten in a

**Broward County Elementary School deemed a
"Differentiated Accountability School "**

754-321-1950



Quality Improvement ASSISTANCE

- *from...*Community for Quality Early Learning and Literacy (C-QuELL)
 - Quality improvement project for 10 centers in specific locations.

**For more information call:
954.724.4601**



Professional Development SCHOLARSHIPS

- T.E.A.C.H.
 - For CDA, Associates Degree

**For TEACH Scholarship information
(850) 410-0394**

- Early Learning Coalition
 - For CDA, Director Credential
 - In-service training (CEU)
 - College courses

**For ELC scholarship information
(954) 724-3986**

For training listings

www.familycentral.org/BCTrainingCalendar

- Children's Services Council
 - Workshops, seminars, conferences

For additional training listings

<http://training1.cscbroward.org>



WAGE SUPPLEMENTS

- Child Care Wage\$ Florida
 - Reduce turnover
 - Encourage continuing education
 - Must be QRIS participant
 - Education beyond high school
 - Earn less than \$17.50/hr.

1-888-FLCHILD

www.thechildrensforum.com



Child SCREENING

- Developmental screening provided for *all children receiving financial assistance* for child care.
- Child progress assessments at a limited number of facilities.

954-724-4087



INCLUSION Support

- Inclusion **Warm-Line** for provider questions
- Mentoring for teachers needing assistance with children who have special needs or behavior issues is available.

Inclusion Warm-Line

954-724-7540



RESOURCE LIBRARY

- Resource library includes:
 - Books
 - Toys
 - Professional resources
 - Computers with internet
 - Ellison die-cut, laminating machines
- Mobile library includes:
 - 6 local stops around the County
 - Monthly route

**For information
954-724-4051**



CHILD CARE EXECUTIVE PARTNERSHIP

- Excellent way for child care centers to help their employees pay for care
 - Public-Private partnership
 - Dollar for dollar match
 - Tax credits
 - For families at or below 200% of poverty level

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954-724-7564



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