



# Caregiver News

Publication of Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc. for those who care for, educate, and nurture the young child.

## Training and Professional Development Your News From the Aspire Registry

### Beyond Required Training Hours

We all know training is an important part of working in a program with young children that is regulated by the state. Training is essential to providing a safe and comfortable learning environment for our students. It keeps us up to date with safety procedures and health and nutrition practices. It gives us guidelines for how to have a successful early childhood program and is important to keep us informed of regulations we need to observe in order to stay in compliance. However, in the early childhood world many of us talk about training and professional development as the same thing; when in fact they can be very different. In contrast to training, Professional Development has a more personal emphasis. It's about learning new information and strategies to improve your practice and to grow in your career. Actually, attending professional development not only helps improve your own skills, but can directly affect the students that you teach. Teachers who receive significant professional development can boost their students' achievement substantially! Professional development events also give you the opportunity to connect with your colleagues, to share ideas and to brainstorm solutions to the real issues you deal with each day. Sometimes it is easy to forget that we are not alone in our work, that there is a whole community of early childhood educators out there who experience the same frustrations and challenges. Taking the practical information you learn through professional development and using it at your program will not only help your children, but can actually make your job easier! Most importantly, professional development is also about building knowledge and experience so you can take the next step in your career. To read more, visit [www.naeyc.org](http://www.naeyc.org) to read "What is Professional Development in Early Childhood Education?" by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

### Ways to Use the Statewide Training Calendar

Our Statewide Training Calendar is a useful tool that can provide opportunities to help you grow in your practice. You can use it to find professional development by searching for trainings by topic, age group, or a specific trainer that you have liked in the past. The system will look through all titles and course descriptions to find professional development that matches what you are searching for. You can also look for training events that are happening nearby in your city, county or region. If you have a busy schedule, try searching the statewide training calendar by date and check out what's being offered in the evenings, over the weekends or other times you are free. All events on our Statewide Training Calendar have been reviewed and approved so you know you are getting high quality professional development. Did you know that directors and administrators can use the calendar to track in-house sessions? Just submit your training information to The Aspire Registry before the session and once it has been approved, you can print out a pre-generated sign-in sheet and certificates for attendees. When your training is complete, you can upload the sign-in sheet directly to The Aspire Registry and each person will automatically receive credit on their Aspire profile. Trainers in The Aspire Registry can also set up professional development events using the Statewide Training Calendar. All events can be posted on the public search calendar, and are given Professional Development Level based on both the content of the event and the level of the trainer. If you haven't used our Statewide Training Calendar yet, visit our website and check it out today!

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Featured Agency:

# The Breast & Prostate Peer Education (BPPE) Project

Submitted by: Brenna Gokey-Dudley, Catskill Regional Medical Center,  
Breast & Prostate Education (BPPE) Coordinator



## Breast & Prostate Peer Education



**Paul Geer – BPPE Educator**

**Cheryl C. Gugliotta – Cancer Services Program Outreach Coordinator**

The Breast and Prostate Peer Education (BPPE) Project is a new program funded by the New York State Department of Health and executed by Catskill Regional Medical Center (CRMC) and other agencies across New York State. The goal of the program is to increase screenings for breast and prostate cancer by educating Sullivan County residents about the benefits of early detection and introducing residents to programs that can help them get appropriate screenings. In the second and third years of the grant program the Sullivan County BPPE will expand its education and referral services to include the whole mid-Hudson region.

Breast cancer is one of the most common cancers among women in New York State. Each year in New York, over 15,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer and over 2,600 women die from the disease. It is estimated that one in eight women will develop breast cancer during her life. Breast screening increases the likelihood of identifying breast cancer at an early stage when treatment is most successful. (For more information visit: <https://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/cancer/registry/abouts/breast.htm>)

Excluding skin cancer, prostate cancer is the most common cancer among men in New York. Each year in New York State, almost 15,000 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer and about 1,700 men die of the disease. It is estimated that one in seven men will develop prostate cancer during his life. Prostate cancer occurs mainly in older

men, with about two-thirds of cases diagnosed in men age 65 and older. (For more information visit: <https://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/cancer/registry/abouts/prostate.htm>)

The Sullivan County, BPPE focuses on two priority populations. The first group is women between the ages of 50 and 74 who have not been screened for breast cancer according to the current clinical guidelines or who have experienced changes in symptoms. The second priority population is men 50 years and older or those that may be at higher risk for prostate cancer due to family history, race, or ethnicity. From within those groups, CRMC is concentrating its efforts on individuals who are uninsured or underserved due to socio-economic status, geographic isolation or language barriers. An important component of the Sullivan County BPPE will be to link people who need screenings with the doctors who provide them as well as to healthcare service agencies that can help with costs, language barriers and transportation.

The BPPE Program is building relationships with community members and groups as well as healthcare providers and facilities. The Program educators are looking to network with community groups whose membership includes individuals from the target populations or that serve the target populations. If there is any interest in scheduling a group presentation or one on one encounters please contact Catskill Regional Medical Center at 845-794-3300 and ask for the Breast and Prostate Peer Education program.

Catskill Regional Medical Center  
68 Harris Bushville Road  
Harris, New York 12742  
845-794-3300

8881 NYS Route 97  
Callicoon, NY 12723  
845-887-5530

[www.crmcny.org](http://www.crmcny.org)

## Infant/Toddler Services for Providers

### Infant/Toddler Technical Assistance Center

The Infant/Toddler Technical Assistance Network, funded by the NYSOCFS, is an initiative aimed at supporting high quality infant and toddler care. The Network offers support to programs serving infants and toddlers.

The Infant/Toddler Specialist can offer the following ongoing services for **FREE** in Sullivan County:

- Phone and in-person support on a variety of issues
  - Age appropriate behavior management techniques
  - Responsive care giving
  - Understanding the NYS Child Care Regulations
  - Developmentally appropriate practice for infants & toddlers
  - Infant—toddler development and behavior
  - Assistance answering parent questions about their infant or toddler
- Visits to your program to work on a quality improvement project
- Resources or tip sheets
- Starting up your infant/toddler program including help setting up your space
- Assistance with continuity of care classroom waivers
- Assistance with freedom of movement certification for “container free” program

We serve family and group child care programs, child care centers and CCR&Rs.

For more information contact Rosemarie Lawton, Infant/Toddler Regional Specialist by calling (845) 473-4141 ext. 217 or email [rlawton@childcairedutchess.org](mailto:rlawton@childcairedutchess.org).

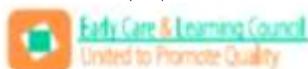
## Got CACFP?



**Did you know**  
**CACFP reimburses**  
*childcare settings for serving nutritious food to children in child care homes and centers, especially those in low-income areas?*  
**Are you Eligible for CACFP?**

### Find out here!

For more information about CACFP or to contact a CACFP Specialist, visit us at [www.earlycareandlearning.org/cacfp-contact-list.html](http://www.earlycareandlearning.org/cacfp-contact-list.html) or contact the NYS DOH at (800)-942-3858 OR (518) 402-7400.



## Message from Donna Willi, Executive Director

### Happy Spring to All Our Friends and Neighbors!

With Spring comes many special things, one of the most important is Provider Appreciation Day! Provider Appreciation Day is on Friday, May 12, 2017. A special day set aside to recognize our child care work force. Remember to say thank you to your child care program and provider!

Sullivan County currently has sixty two regulated child care programs and forty one programs exempt from regulation. These programs have space to provide care for approximately 2,200 children aged six weeks to twelve years old. These programs work hard each day to provide a safe and nurturing environment so parents and caregivers can work. Remember to thank your provider on May 12<sup>th</sup> and every day.

Now think about this, according to the US Census, Sullivan County has approximately 4,500 children aged six weeks to twelve years, leaving 2,300 children without a formal child care option with infant care being in highest demand. Here at the Council we not only work hard to provide support and services but we also work hard to find solutions to the challenges that our families face. On December 2, 2016 the Child Care Council was notified that we are one of 237 award recipients of the New York State Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program or NICIP. This grant will allow us to provide much needed energy efficient and safety upgrades to our office space. These upgrades will not only provide our staff and the families that we serve a safer service environment but it will also provide for a high quality learning & infant/toddler child care center with a capacity to serve up to four infants and toddlers. The anticipated opening of the center is expected to be early Spring, 2018.

And new in 2017, the Council began offering the first ever **Child Development Associate** series. Our first group of providers anticipates completion of their CDA by late Fall 2017!

And, finally as a result of increased visits and technical assistance programs we have seen a significant decrease in citations in our child care programs.

Our child care work force works hard each day but we all need to keep working and looking forward in order to ensure our families have high quality child care options.

**Happy Spring,**  
Donna Willi  
Executive Director

## Medication Administration Training (MAT)

Only topical ointments, sunscreens and repellents are legally permitted to be applied in a child care setting without a license or registration to administer medication.

To sign up for MAT please email [info@scchildcare.com](mailto:info@scchildcare.com) or call the Council (845) 292-7166 x309.

Check the Calendar, pages 6-7, and our website, [scchildcare.com/calendar](http://scchildcare.com/calendar), for upcoming training dates.

MAT grant applications (up to \$100 reimbursement) can be obtained online at [www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/mat.shtm](http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/mat.shtm) or contact the SUNY MAT Grant Program at 800-295-9616 or [mat@pdp.albany.edu](mailto:mat@pdp.albany.edu).

## MAT Approved Programs

The following providers hold a license/registration to administer medication:

**Best Friends Services, Inc.**

Jessica Dean

Tonya Dirie

**Early Childhood Cooperative Experience**

**Easter Seals of New York, Inc.**

Deborah Gubiotti

**J&C First Steps Daycare, LLC: Diane Harvey**

Angel Morton

**Nana's House Child Care Center, Inc.**

New Hope Manor

**Marlena's Family Daycare: Marlena Pittaluga-Egan**

TLC for Young Children, LLC

Twin Bridge Play School Inc.

Kristy Petrowsky

**Sullivan County Head Start, Inc (All locations)**

## Medication Administration

Obtain your MAT Certification or Renewal with a new independent at **home study program & testing with a SUNY MAT instructor.**

*You must renew your MAT Certificate every three years, prior to the expiration date!!*

Please visit the following website for specific information and direction on renewing your MAT Certificate [www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/mat.shtm](http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/mat.shtm)

You may also contact the Council at (845) 292-7166 or [info@scchildcare.com](mailto:info@scchildcare.com).

## Child & Adult Care Food

### New CACFP Participants:

**Tatiana Alston, Luz Quinones**

For more information call:

**Aimee Pittaluga, CACFP Coordinator**  
(845) 292-7166 x 306.

## CACFP Week

### March 12– 18th is CACFP week

"This program provides approximately 1.9 billion meals and snacks to over 3.2 million children."

This is possible by the Child and Adult Care Food Program homes participants and your dedication to feeding our communities children with health and nutrition in mind.

**Elizabeth Acosta**

**Tatiana Alston**

**Amy Babicz**

**Darlene Balzano**

**Catherine Castillo**

**George Conklin**

**Erin Conklin**

**Jessica Dean**

**Celia DiVita**

**Tonya Dirie**

**Susette Goldsmith**

**Karen Gonzalez**

**Deborah Gubiotti**

**Diane Harvey**

**Julia Heintz**

**Kimberly Henao**

**Barbara Hotchkin**

**Patricia McGovern**

**Faith Metzinger**

**Angel Morton**

**Nicole Newick**

**Terri Pellam**

**Kristy Petrowsky**

**Karen Pinkel**

**Marlena Pittaluga-**

**Egan**

**Tara Poje**

**Luz Quinones**

**Rachel Rausch**

**Ellie Reed**

**Elizabeth Rivera**

**Wanda Rodriguez**

**Omar Rodriguez**

**Desirae Schubert**

**Susan Sennett-Dewitt**

**Lauren Smith**

**Deborah Stack**

**Deborah Strachan**

**Barbara Valree**

The Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc. would like to thank you all for your dedication. Feeding young minds healthy foods is optimal in growth and development of the body and the mind. Good eating habits are formed from a young age. If you would like additional information of CACFP, or you would like to join this program, please call Aimee Pittaluga at (845) 292– 7166

## Online Training

### NYSOCFS/PDP Online Trainings—FREE!

[www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/elearn\\_catalog.shtm](http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/elearn_catalog.shtm)

Fully narrated courses. Learning points of the training are enhanced throughout using video clips and interactive exercises. Application saves progress every 10-15 minute section, and allows you up to 30 days to complete the entire course.

#### Available Courses:

Course Title	Hrs	OCFS Topics	CDA Areas
Early Intervention	1.5	1, 4	3, 4, 7, 8
Emergency Preparedness	1.5	4, 7	1, 4, 5
Expulsion & Suspension Prevention Strategies **NEW**	1.5	1, 3, 4, 7	3, 4, 6
Family Engagement	1.0	3, 4	4, 5, 6
Keeping Children Safe	1.5	1, 3, 4, 7	1, 2, 8
Infant Brain Development	1.0	1, 3	2, 3
Mandated Reporter Training	2.0	5, 6, 8	NA
Managing Challenging Behavior	1.5	1	1, 3
Obesity Prevention	2.0	2	1
Preventing SBS	1.0	1, 9	1, 3, 4,
Preventing SIDS & Promoting Safe Sleep	1.0	1, 3, 4, 7	1, 3, 4, 8
School Age Child Care	1.5	1, 3, 4	1, 5, 8
Supervision of Children	1.5	4	1
Transportation	2.0	3, 4, 7	1, 4, 5

### Find online courses on our website!

[www.scchildcare.com](http://www.scchildcare.com)—under *Provider Education!* Choose courses from Physical & Intellectual Development, Commitment to Professionalism, Effective Program Operation, Social & Emotional Development, Observing & Recording Progress & Behavior of Children, Positive Relationships with Families, Child Growth & Development, and Safe & Healthy Environment. OCFS and CDA approved topics!

- Learn at your own pace & on your own schedule
- Easy to use
- Friendly 1-800 Help Support Line
- Affordable courses
- One year to complete a course
- International Association for Continuing Education & Training (IACET) approved courses & college credit
- CEU certificates issued immediately

Not all individual trainings are approved for OCFS training hours/EIP, however they are all approved for CDA hours. For more information visit the website.

## Video Conferences

[ecetp.pdp.albany.edu](http://ecetp.pdp.albany.edu)

The SUNY Video conferences are held at the **Sullivan County Child Care Council in Liberty**; classes start promptly at **6:45**; please arrive on time! These are adult learning experiences. *No children, please.*

**Thursday, March 16, 2017: Nutrition: Obesity Prevention, Picky Eaters & Food Allergy Management**

**Thursday, June , 2017: More Than Just “Use Your Words”:**  
*Promoting Positive Communication with Children*

*The 2017 schedule will be available at*  
[www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/videoconferencing.shtm](http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/videoconferencing.shtm)

## Intensive Technical Assistance

The Council offers intensive technical assistance to enhance your knowledge/skills. Individualized training can be set up to address your program needs in one session or multiple session workshops (conducted at your home during down time in your program).

Consider the following topics, or choose your own:

- “Learning Manners at Mealtimes”
- “Benefiting from Family Style Eating “
- “Age Appropriate Room Arrangements”
- “Introduction of Sign Language”
- “Gross Motor with Indoor & Outdoor Play”
- “Ideas for Better Nutrition & Physical Activity”
- “Learning through Nature”
- “Picky Eaters”
- “Creating Theme Curriculum”

Contact us at [info@scchildcare.com](mailto:info@scchildcare.com) to request a session or for more information or call Aimee Pittaluga at (845) 292- 7166 x 306.

\*This free service is funded by NYSOCFS.\*

## QUALITYstarsNY

**PARENTS: Visit & Ask Questions (in person & over phone)**  
*Like the sound of a program? Make an appointment to visit!* Visiting a program is the best way to judge if it will be a good fit for your child and family. We recommend visiting at least 3 programs before making a decision.

#### Things to keep in mind:

- Visit during regular business hours when children are present
- Plan to stay at least an hour
- Try to bring your child to see how s/he responds to the program staff and environment
- Bring notes or a checklist to remind yourself of questions you want to ask and things you want to observe. QUALITYstarsNY has put together a checklist to help you determine whether the program is high quality. (<http://qualitystarsny.org/families-checklists.php>)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>March 2017</b>						
			<b>1</b> Ash Wednesday	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> Daylight Savings Time	<b>13</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Orientation 10:30a-12:30p @ Council	<b>16</b> Videoconference: <i>Nutrition: Obesity Prevention...</i> 6:45p-9:15p @ Council	<b>17</b> St Patrick's Day	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p** First Day of Spring	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

Check out our Training and Events Calendar on our website at [schildcare.com/calendar!](http://schildcare.com/calendar)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>April 2017</b>						<b>1</b> April Fool's Day
						
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>11</b> Passover	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Good Friday	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> Easter Sunday	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Last Day of Passover	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Earth Day
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>25</b> Health & Safety Part 1 of 4 9:30a-2:30p	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Health & Safety Part 2 of 4 9:30a-2:30p *** CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>28</b> Arbor Day	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b>						

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>2</b> Health & Safety Part 3 of 4 9:30a-2:30p	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Health & Safety Part 4 of 4 9:30a-3:00p *** CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>5</b> Cinco de Mayo	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>12</b> Happy Provider Appreciation Day!	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Happy Mother's Day!	<b>15</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Orientation 10:30a-12:30p @ Council	<b>18</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Armed Forces Day
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> CDA @ Council 5:30p-8:30p**	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Ramadan
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Memorial Day Council Closed	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>May 2017</b> 		

**\*\*ALL CDA Courses must be completed for CDA approval—however—  
if you are not completing a CDA you may register for individual classes.**

<b>CDA CONTENT AREAS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment</li> <li>2. Steps to advance children's physical and intellectual development</li> <li>3. Positive ways to support children's social and emotional development</li> <li>4. Strategies to establish productive relationships with families</li> <li>5. Strategies to manage an effective program operation</li> <li>6. Maintaining a commitment to professionalism</li> <li>7. Observing and recording children's behavior</li> <li>8. Principles of child development and learning</li> </ol>
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<b>CORE COMPETENCY AREAS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Child Growth and Development</li> <li>2. Family and Community Relationships</li> <li>3. Observation and Assessment</li> <li>4. Environment and Curriculum</li> <li>5. Health, Safety, and Nutrition</li> <li>6. Professionalism and Leadership</li> <li>7. Administration and Management</li> </ol>
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<b>OCFS TOPICS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Principles of Child Development</li> <li>2. Nutrition and Health Needs of Infants and Children</li> <li>3. Program Development</li> <li>4. Safety and Security Procedures</li> <li>5. Business Record Maintenance and Management</li> <li>6. Child Abuse and Maltreatment Identification &amp; Prevention</li> <li>7. Statutes and regulations pertaining to child daycare</li> <li>8. States &amp; Regs pertaining to Child Abuse &amp; Maltreatment</li> <li>9. Shaken Baby syndrome</li> </ol>
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Course Title	Hrs/ CEU 's	Cost/ Reduced Cost	OCFS Topics	CDA Areas	CBK Areas
Health & Safety	15.0 1.5	\$250	2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	NA	NA
Orientation	NA	\$10	NA	NA	NA
Nutrition: Obesity Prevention...	2.5 .25	\$0	1, 2, 3	1. 2. 4. 5	2, 5, 7

**Handprint & Footprint Flowers & Vase:  
An Adorable Craft for Mother's Day**

What mom doesn't love receiving a bouquet of flowers made by their children?—(can't think of one—me neither) That's why this Handprint and Footprint Flower craft that's complete with a vase is perfect for anyone planning on making mom smile, maybe even cry a little on Mother's Day (I know I will certainly shed a happy tear or two). If you aren't used to crafting with the kids don't worry because you totally got this! I even share craft tips along the way so making this craft is super easy—so don't forget to make one for grand-MOTHER too!

See full list of supplies, directions and sample crafts at <http://alittlepinchofperfect.com/handprint-and-footprint-flowers-and-vase-craft-for-mothers-day>.



## Focus on the Regulations Review Regulations @ ocfs.ny.gov

417.7 Program Requirements  
pgs (16-17)

(u) If television or other electronic visual media is used, it must be part of a planned developmentally appropriate program with an educational, social, physical or other learning objective that includes identified goals and objectives. Television and other electronic visual media must not be used solely to occupy time.

(v) Television and other electronic visual media must be turned off when not part of a planned developmentally appropriate program activity.

(w) Children must not watch television or other electronic visual media during meals.

(x) Television and other electronic visual media must be turned off while children are sleeping, and during established nap times. This is not to prohibit a program from using electronic visual media for business purposes during sleep or nap time if its use does not interfere with the supervision of children.

418-1.7 Program Requirements (pgs 22-23)

(r) The resting/napping places must:

- (1) be located in approved day care space;
- (2) be located in safe areas of the program;
- (3) be located in a draft-free area;
- (4) be where children will not be stepped on;
- (5) be in a location where safe egress is not blocked;
- (6) allow a person to move freely and safely within the napping area in order to check on or meet the needs of children; and
- (7) be at least two feet apart from each other.

(s) Individual clean bed coverings must be available, as needed, for each child requiring a rest period.

(t) Bedding, which is the removable and washable portion of the sleeping environment, must not be shared between children.

(u) Sleeping surfaces, including bedding, which is the removable and washable portion of the sleeping environment, must not come in contact with the sleeping surfaces of another **child's rest equipment during storage. Mats and cots must be stored so that the sleeping surfaces do not touch when stacked.**

(w) Children unable to sleep during nap time shall not be confined to a sleeping surface (cot, crib, etc) but instead must be offered a supervised place for quiet play.

## Dear Jodi

**Dear Jodi,**

I have had intensive technical assistance at my home during child care hours and I wanted to let other providers know that it is an easy way to get training hours.

Council staff came to my home and gave me an hour of free training. I had the training during day care hours with the kids here and it was fun for all of us. It was actually a nice break with fun activities to keep sharing with the children. The best parts are that it's free and I didn't have to give up any additional time for training after hours.

**Grateful**

**Dear Grateful,**

Thank you for the feedback on free intensive technical assistance training.

It is good to know that it's enjoyable and convenient, since that is the goal while giving providers additional training.

It seems to be enjoyable for the staff, providers and the children which definitely makes it a good training choice!

**Jodi**

## From the Desk of the Registrar

**Dear Providers,**

As child care providers you are required to have continuing education. Consider how you prefer training. Do you want to hold a certificate or earn a degree? You can choose from a variety of training genres such as online, face-to-face, conferences and college credits. EIP can help to offset the cost of any approved training/education.

Consider this: If you are a child care provider for 6 years and take 3 college courses per year (about 9 credits), you can earn your associates degree using EIP scholarship money! SUNY New Paltz offers online Elementary Education courses. SUNY Sullivan offers Childhood Education Transfer Degree.

You can also use EIP to earn your CDA. The Council is now offering CDA courses. You can earn your CDA in one year.

Perhaps you enjoy social learning events, such as conferences. There are conferences available within reasonable travel distance that are EIP eligible.

Don't get stuck in the same routine. Broaden your horizons and make educational gains to benefit your future. There no better time to start than right now!

**Celebrate you and all of your hard work!**

**Happy Provider Appreciation Day and Happy Mother's Day!**

**Theresa Murdock-Marin, Registrar**



Happy   
Mother's  
Day



Happy   
Provider  
Appreciation Day™

May 12, 2017

## NY Works for Children/ASPIRE

The Aspire Registry is an online system that supports early childhood professionals and recognizes the important work that you do. With an Aspire profile, you can take advantage of helpful resources to guide your career choices and plan your professional growth.

### HOW TO COMPLETE YOUR ORGANIZATION ACCOUNT

**This page should be used by directors and administrators to complete their Organization account.** Instructions for how to set-up an Aspire profile are on the following page.

1. Activate your Organization account **Go to [www.nyworksforchildren.org](http://www.nyworksforchildren.org) and click Join** or Log into Aspire. Select Create an Organization Account and enter your contact information and program license number or permit number. You will receive your Organization ID and password from The Aspire Registry within 3 business days.
2. Create Aspire Profiles Follow the steps listed on the following page to complete your Aspire profile. **Create a plan for how you will assist your team in completing their Aspire profiles.** Keep in mind that **each person will need about 20 minutes to complete the application process.** Support your staff to complete their own Aspire profiles. Copy and distribute the following page as a resource, along with your Organization ID.
3. Provide additional information about your program After each member of your faculty has created an Aspire profile, **use the Employees Tab to verify each employee** by selecting Update next to each name. Under the Classrooms Tab add classrooms to your account by selecting Add Group. Select the teaching staff that works in each classroom and update classroom information.
4. Keep your account up to date! We recommend logging into your Organization account regularly to make sure your information is still accurate. **Support your staff to send in any new training or education information** throughout the year.

## Child Care Time & Attendance (CCTA)

Submit your timesheets online with the Child Care Time and Attendance (CCTA) System!!

We encourage all providers to submit timesheets through our web-based system, CCTA.

There are several benefits to using the web-based provider portal such as:

- ♦ Eliminate the cost of shipping, mailing and purchasing paper products and postal supplies.
- ♦ Eliminate time delay of using the postal service.
- ♦ TRACK PAYMENTS ON A DAILY BASIS.

**Please help us welcome out newest web-based users:  
The Ark of Learning, LLC**

If you are interested in submitting your timesheets online, please give Kelsey a call at (845) 292-7166 x311!

## Legally Exempt News

All Legally Exempt providers are subject to announced or unannounced inspection and/or verification of child care to verify compliance with applicable laws and regulations and any additional requirements imposed on such a provider by the social services district.

All Legally Exempt providers are **required to maintain current and accurate attendance records for each child showing the date of attendance with the time of arrival and departure; on a daily basis (full day absences must also be noted).**

An eligible provider must certify that all documentation and information provided to a social services district is accurate and true. Any false or fraudulent claims for payment by a provider may result in the deferral or disallowance of payment for such claims with a social services district, and/or referral for investigation.

It is important to become familiar with the NYS Regulations & CACFP Policies and Procedures.

## Legally Exempt Child Care Rates

Standard Without training	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
<b>Weekly</b>	\$98	\$98	\$98	\$93
<b>Daily</b>	\$21	\$20	\$20	\$20
<b>Part Day</b>	\$14	\$13	\$13	\$12
<b>Hourly</b>	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.25

Enhanced With training	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
<b>Weekly</b>	\$105	\$105	\$105	\$100
<b>Daily</b>	\$23	\$21	\$21	\$21
<b>Part Day</b>	\$15	\$14	\$14	\$14
<b>Hourly</b>	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50

LE Group Child Care	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
<b>Weekly</b>	\$0	\$0	\$135	\$128
<b>Daily</b>	\$0	\$0	\$29	\$28
<b>Part Day</b>	\$0	\$0	\$19	\$19
<b>Hourly</b>	\$0	\$0	\$5.63	\$5.25

# Product Recalls

## www.cpsc.gov

### Children's electric scooters

**Description:** This recall involves Pulse Safe Start Transform electric scooters for children with manufacturing date codes between September 10, 2016 and October 11, 2016. The date code is printed on a label located under the platform in format XX(month)/XX(day)/2016 – 066QY. The scooters were sold in blue and have two wheels in front and one in the rear.

**Hazard:** The knuckle that joins the wheel to the axle can break, posing a fall hazard to the rider.

**Incidents/Injuries:** None reported

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately take the recalled scooters away from children and contact Pulse Performance Products for a full refund.

**Consumer Contact:** Pulse Performance Products toll-free at 844-287-8711 from 7:30a—4p PT M—F or online at [www.pulsescooters.com](http://www.pulsescooters.com) and click on "CPSC Safety Recalls" for more information.

### Mobiles

**Description:** This recall involves RH Baby & Child vintage race car mobiles. The recalled mobiles are used as decorative items that hang from the ceiling. The mobiles contain six wooden cars in various colors with spinning axles and wooden wheels attached to the axles.

**Hazard:** The wheels on the mobile's hanging cars can detach and fall, posing a choking hazard to young children.

**Incidents/Injuries:** RH has received one report of a wheel detaching from the mobile. No injuries have been reported.

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled mobiles, place away from children and contact RH Baby & Child for a full refund. The firm is contacting purchasers of the product directly.

**Consumer Contact:** RH toll-free at 888-728-8419 from 8a—5p. PT M—F or online at [www.RH.com](http://www.RH.com) and click on Safety at the bottom of the page for more information.

### Children's shoes

**Hazard:** The rivets on the children's shoes have sharp edges, posing a laceration hazard.

**Description:** This recall involves Skidders Footwear children's canvas tennis shoes sold in three sizes: 12M, 18M and 24M. The shoes have white rubber bottoms and come in three different colors: navy blue fabric with orange rivets and laces, gray fabric with green rivets and laces, and denim colored fabric with pink rivets and laces.

**Incidents/Injuries:** The firm has received three reports of the rivets scratching the feet of the wearer. No injuries have been reported.

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately take the recalled shoes away from children and contact Skidders Footwear to receive a full refund.

**Consumer Contact:** Consumers should immediately take the recalled shoes away from children and contact Skidders Footwear to receive a full refund.

### Projection night lights

**Hazard:** The night lights can short circuit, posing shock and fire hazard to consumers.

**Description:** This recall involves color changing projection night lights with a rotating plug and dome top with LED lights that change colors from red, blue and green. "Made in China" and "0.6W 60Hz 120VAC" are etched in the plastic base of the night lights near the plug component.

**Incidents/Injuries:** The firm has received seven reports of sparks, smoke and damage to outlets. No injuries have been reported.

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled projection night lights and contact the firm for instructions to receive a full refund including shipping. All known purchasers were notified directly about the recall.

**Consumer Contact:** LTD Commodities toll-free at 866-736-3654 or The Lakeside Collection at 866-847-4327 between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. CT or visit the firm's websites at [www.ltdcommodities.com](http://www.ltdcommodities.com)

# Child Safety Seat Recalls

## www.recalls.gov/nhtsa.html

### 4MOMS

NHTSA Recall ID Number: 16C009

Thorley Industries d/b/a 4moms (4moms) is recalling certain 4moms Self Installing Rear-facing Infant Car Seats, model number 1032, manufactured July 1, 2016, to October 31, 2016. **Due to a tight rivet, the affected car seats have a coupling hook that may not properly engage around the coupling pin, preventing the infant carrier portion from securely attaching to the seat base.** If the infant carrier does not properly attach to the base, the carrier can detach in a crash, increasing the risk of injury. 4moms will notify owners and will replace the infant carrier portion, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin mid-January 2017. Owners may **contact 4moms customer service at 1-888-614-6667.**

### BABY TREND

NHTSA Recall ID Number: 16C008

Baby Trend, Inc. (Baby Trend) is recalling certain Hybrid LX 3-in-1 Centennial booster seats, model number FB58181, manufactured on July 23, 2016, and Hybrid LX 3-in-1 Kiwi booster seats, model number FB48417, manufactured on July 14, 2016. **The affected child seats have a center adjuster rivet that may pull through or break if the harness is being used with a child weighing more than 40 lbs.** As such, these child seats fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 213, "Child Restraint Systems." In the event of a crash, the child seat occupant is at an increased risk of injury. Baby Trend will notify owners and replace the child seat or provide a full refund. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may **contact Baby Trend customer service at 1-909-773-0018.**

## Child Care Council Info

### Normal Business Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm

We are available for assistance in person:  
**7 Community Lane, Liberty, NY 12754,**  
 Mail: **PO Box 186, Ferndale, NY 12734.**

Staff members can be reached by telephone at  
**(845) 292-7166**, or toll free: **(877) 292-7190.**

## Average Weekly Cost of Child Care

	Family Child Care	Group Family Child Care	Day Care Center
<b>6wks-18mos</b>	n/a	n/a	\$204.50
<b>6wks-24mos</b>	\$167.50	\$162.50	n/a
<b>18mos-36mos</b>	n/a	n/a	\$192
<b>3y-5y</b>	n/a	n/a	\$156
<b>2yrs-5yrs</b>	\$167.50	\$159.17	n/a
<b>5y-12y</b>	\$113.75	\$138.25	\$184

## Prospective Child Care Providers

If you are interested in becoming a child care provider please visit <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/techreq.asp> for a **free online Child Care Provider Orientation** and to request an application.

If you prefer to attend a face to face orientation session providing the opportunity to ask direct and specific questions to the Registration Coordinator, you may attend\* one of the following Orientation Sessions:

**Wednesday, March 15, 2017, 10:30 am**

**Wednesday, May 17, 2017, 5:30 pm**

**Wednesday, July 19, 2017, 10:30 am**

\*There is a nominal **fee of \$10.00 for a face to face session**. All are held at the Sullivan Co Child Care Council, in Liberty. You must register for the face to face by calling (845) 292-7166 or to [info@scchildcare.com](mailto:info@scchildcare.com).

**We need Child Care Providers!**  
**Specifically for children ages**  
**6 weeks to 12 months old in the**  
**Liberty, Monticello & Fallsburg areas.**

**Please call 845-292-7166 to attend a child care orientation or visit [ocfs.ny.gov](http://ocfs.ny.gov) and click on Become a Provider for more information & the free online orientation.**

## Child Care Programs in Sullivan County

Township	OCFS Registered/Licensed Child Care Programs				Private Schools	7/1/16-9/30/16 Requests for Care
	Day Care Centers (DCC)	Family Day Care Homes (FDC)	Group Family Day Care Homes (GFDC)	School-Age Child Care (SACC)		
Bethel	0	0	0	0		6
Callicoon	0	2	3	0		12
Cochecton	0	0	0	0		1
Delaware	0	3	0	0		2
Fallsburg	2	6	1	0		43
Forestburgh	0	0	0	0		0
Fremont	0	0	0	0		1
Highland	1	1	0	0		8
Liberty	2	10	2	2	Y	71
Lumberland	0	0	1	0	Y	3
Mamakating	1	0	0	1		7
Neversink	0	0	3	2		6
Rockland	0	2	0	0		5
Thompson	6	3	4	3	Y	100
Tusten	0	1	0	0		1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>266</b>

## Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc. 2017 Donation Form

### Professional Supporter (Check One)

(Eligible for reduced training costs.)

- \$35 Family Day Care Provider (\$25 if participate in CACFP)
- \$50 Group Family Day Care (\$40 if participate in CACFP)
- \$125 Day Care Center / SACC (\$100 if participate in CACFP)
- \$25 Legally-Exempt Provider (\$15 if participate in CACFP)

### Community Supporter (Check One)

- \$50 Advocate  \$100 Sponsor\*  Other\* \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Mail Form & Payment To:

Sullivan Co Child Care Council, Inc.  
**PO Box 186, Ferndale, NY 12734**

\*Please submit a business card with your donation of \$100 or more.  
 Donations are non-refundable.

Thank you for your financial support; it helps families gain access to quality and affordable childcare!

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm



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**We have several openings for Council Committee members.** We are seeking members who could fulfill underrepresented areas such as, parents (who have children in child care); those who have expertise in marketing or insurance; those who are familiar with child care subsidy system and those who could represent our Hispanic community. **Support the Council by serving on a committee! Please contact us at [info@scchildcare.com](mailto:info@scchildcare.com)!**

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