

# Caregiver News

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

## Message from Donna Willi, Executive Director

Dear Friends of Quality Child Care,

Much of the employment opportunity in our County is shift work, night and weekend work and is most often paid by the hour with little or no paid time off. Who cares for the children while our residents are working those shift jobs, nights and weekends?

Some families take turns caring for the children; while one parent is at work, one is home and vice versa. Other families are not so fortunate or are single parent households. Parents need accurate information in order to make appropriate decisions regarding their child care. The Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc. provides that information. We work with families to help them find their best child care solution. Many families are choosing family, friends or neighbors to care for their children instead of regulated child care because of convenience or a lack of a regulated program that offers the hours of care a family needs. This type of care is sometimes referred to as friend or relative care or legally-exempt child care. In many cases, these types of arrangements are short term, temporary and sporadic leaving the family in a constant struggle to find child care.

The Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc., amongst many other things, works to educate parents and the community at large, including employers, of the significance of regulated child care and the significance of quality early education to each of those audiences. Regulated child care providers experience an average of four on site visits from regulatory agencies during their program hours per year; many of these visits are unscheduled and/or unannounced. These visits offer parents the comfort of knowing their children are in a setting that is not only required to, but has chosen to adhere to a comprehensive set of regulations and has chosen to accept the consequences if found to be out of compliance with those regulations. Regulated child care providers are business men and women that have gone through extensive training, child abuse clearance checks and statewide criminal history checks and have CPR and First Aid certification. Additionally, many of them hold college degrees in early childhood or a related field. (Continued p.9)

## Father's Day Gift Ideas

Follow the links for more information/images of simple, crafty Father's Day gift ideas!

**I love You to Pieces Frame:** Jigsaw puzzle pieces glued onto a wooden frame with a photo of the child holding a sign that says "I love you to pieces." [www.tonyastaab.com/2013/05/my-handmade-mothers-day-gift.html](http://www.tonyastaab.com/2013/05/my-handmade-mothers-day-gift.html)

**Awesome Bookmarks:** Bookmark is a photo of child with arms stretched upward holding yarn for bookmark. [www.redtedart.com/2012/03/31/craft-ideas-for-him-fathers-day/diy-gifts-for-fathers-day/](http://www.redtedart.com/2012/03/31/craft-ideas-for-him-fathers-day/diy-gifts-for-fathers-day/)

**Best Dad Hands Down:** Child's hand prints fingers down on paper with words "Best Dad Hands Down." Attach ribbon through two holes at top for hanging decoration. [www.pinterest.com/pin/431501208020113504/](http://www.pinterest.com/pin/431501208020113504/)

**I Love You This Much:** Two card stock cut outs of the child's hands attached with a strip of accordion folded paper. On the hands write "I love you" and on the accordion strip write, "This Much!" & attach. [www.pinterest.com/pin/431501208020113407/](http://www.pinterest.com/pin/431501208020113407/)

**Need something to wrap the gifts in?** Use brown paper lunch bags. Use your printer to print Happy Father's Day or have the kids decorate them. Fold down the top of the bag and close with decorative tape or punch two holes and fasten with string or ribbon; voilà! <http://sarahhearts.com/2013-05-22/dad-paper-bags/>

### What's New:

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Featured Agency:  
**Sullivan County Breastfeeding Coalition**  
Submitted by: Amanda Langseder, Sullivan County WIC Program Coordinator

**Breastfeeding: A Winning Goal for Life!**

Did you know that babies who are breastfed have a lower incidence of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), ear infections, diarrhea, certain types of childhood cancers, diabetes and obesity? And that mothers who breastfeed also have a lower incidence of breast and ovarian cancers, diabetes, and obesity? It's true, the debate is over about how important breastfeeding is to maternal and child health. But yet there are still many barriers for breastfeeding success here in Sullivan County and across the country. The Sullivan County Breastfeeding Coalition is looking to minimize those barriers and support a happy, successful and loving breastfeeding experience.

The Coalition has grown out of collaborative efforts between various nonprofit organizations, healthcare providers, county government programs and breastfeeding mothers. For many years a fledgling group has worked together to promote breastfeeding efforts in Sullivan County including an Annual Sullivan County Breastfeeding Walk. As it became more apparent that breastfeeding can be a key to improving our county's health outcomes, it drove the need to also have a more organized, focused team working on this initiative. Stephanie Sosnowski, Deputy Director of Maternal Infant Services Network and International Board Certified Lactation Consultant has championed the cause in the region for many years and is instrumental in bringing together the appropriate partners to further the coalition's goals. Additional key partners include:

Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther's Office  
Catskill Regional Medical Center  
Cornell Cooperative Extension  
Healthy Families of Sullivan Program  
Hudson River Healthcare  
Independent Living  
Maternal Infant Services Network  
Prevention First-NY!  
Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc  
Sullivan County Head Start  
Sullivan County Public Health Services  
WIC

The Coalition is currently focused on a few strategic goals. They most recently distributed fifteen packets about creating a breastfeeding friendly practice to local pediatricians and obstetricians. In addition they provided these offices with a copy of the Breastfeeding Telephone Triage to help appropriately refer moms with breastfeeding questions. The group assembled nearly 300 new mom packets for Catskill Regional Medical Center to distribute, which were chock full of information about community resources and or course, breastfeeding.

Patricia Bennett, Program Supervisor, of the Healthy Families of Sullivan Program created a Facebook page for the Coalition, and breastfeeding mom, Sybil Sanchez has been instrumental in getting the word out to the media and additional stakeholders.

MISN has created a survey to assess workplace support for breastfeeding moms in the area. In addition, the Coalition is hoping to put together two professional development opportunities, one half day breastfeeding workshop and the other, a five-day Certified Lactation Consultant (CLC) training; there is currently only one CLC servicing all of Sullivan County. Lastly, the Coalition is hoping to grow its membership and participation in their Annual World Breastfeeding Week event to be held this year in conjunction with the Fallsburg National Night Out.

The Sullivan County Breastfeeding Coalition invites you to get involved and learn more. Perhaps you are a child care provider that would like to become certified as being breastfeeding friendly or a mother who breastfed her children and want to support other moms who are doing the same. Maybe you work for an organization that can help the coalition or your workplace needs to become more breastfeeding friendly. Perhaps you simply care about the health of Sullivan County residents and believe that breastfeeding can improve our health outcomes. We want you to get involved and participate in the work of the Coalition. Visit us on Facebook, talk to any of the member organizations or call Amanda at Sullivan County WIC at 845-292-2240.



**Save the date!**  
**Tuesday, August 5, 2014**  
Brian Ingber Park  
South Fallsburg  
5:30 pm

**Celebrate the 22nd World  
Breastfeeding Week!**

**Join members of the Sullivan  
County Breastfeeding Coalition as we  
support breastfeeding!**



Find us on Facebook!  
[www.facebook.com/SCBFCoalition](http://www.facebook.com/SCBFCoalition)  
Or Contact us for more information: [ssosnowski@misn-ny.org](mailto:ssosnowski@misn-ny.org)

## Did you know that childhood lead poisoning is a major problem and 100% preventable?

Lead is not a natural element in the body. Children's small bodies absorb and retain more lead than adults. A lead level of 10 or above is considered lead poisoned. New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) regulations require medical providers to test children for lead at age one year and again at age two years. NYSDOH also recommends that medical providers assess children for lead risk at each well-child visit and test children up to age six years, if a risk for lead poisoning is found. Please tell parents about these requirements and the importance of lead testing.

Young children are at a greater risk from lead poisoning since they may crawl around on the floor and put their hands in their mouths. Lead poisoning can cause learning problems, hearing loss, low red blood count, kidney damage, growth problems and behavior problems. When a child is lead poisoned you may see flu-like signs and symptoms such as, headache, muscle and joint weakness or pain and extreme tiredness. Other signs and symptoms of possible lead poisoning are behavioral problems, irritability, difficulty concentrating,

loss of appetite, a metallic taste in the mouth, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting and constipation. The most common source of lead exposure is lead based paint which can be found in homes built before 1978. Lead based paint will peel, flake and chip. Lead poisoning occurs through eating the lead paint chips or dust contaminated by deteriorating lead paint. Other sources of lead exposures are water, soil, certain ethnic spices, imported jewelry, pottery and certain imported candy; hobbies such as target practice with guns at firing ranges; casting ammo; making lead fishing weights; burning wood with lead paint; and some occupations such as construction, auto repair and plumbing.

### What you can do to protect your child from lead poisoning:

- Make an appointment with your child's medical provider if you have any concerns of possible lead exposure
- Keep children away when remodeling your home



Public Health

- If you are renting and see peeling paint, contact your local building inspector
- Feed your child a diet high in iron, calcium and vitamin C and low in fat. Calcium, Vitamin C and iron rich foods work together to reduce lead absorption in the body. Normal iron levels work to protect the body from harmful effects of lead. Children with empty stomachs absorb more lead than children with full stomachs. Food examples include: meats, yogurt, low fat milk, cheese, and plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Use cold water for cooking/mixing formula
- Wash your child's hands and toys often
- Frequently damp mop floors and wet wipe windowsills to clean up paint chips and lead dust
- Use only lead free dishes

For questions regarding Lead Poisoning & Prevention please call:

**Beth Gilmore, RN, Lead Poisoning & Prevention Program Coordinator**

Sullivan Co Public Health Services  
(845) 292-5910 ext 2211

And visit <http://www.nyhealth.gov>.

## Thank You to Our Donors/Supporters

**We would like to say a special THANK YOU to those who donate to and assist in supporting our mission!**

**Mission:** To link the parents of Sullivan County to safe, enriching, quality child care by strengthening the professionalism of providers through education and resources.

**We would also like to thank our Board, for donating their time and enthusiasm to our mission and our agency.**

Your generous contributions help us to strengthen the child care work force which increases the quality of child care for the children of Sullivan County!

**THANK YOU**

State Employees offer their hands and hearts by supporting charities through SEFA.

State Employees Federated Appeal



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Contact your Campaign Manager today to donate  
[www.sefanys.org](http://www.sefanys.org)

## 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 training or to make an appointment for your 3 year renewal practicum, please email [info@scchildcare.com](mailto:info@scchildcare.com).**

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).

## Congratulations & Bravo

To the providers who have previously received their license/registration to administer medication:

Best Friends Services, Inc.

Jody Bruno-Rysdyke: Gigggle-N-Grow, Inc.

Early Childhood Cooperative Experience

Jessica Dean

Easter Seals of New York, Inc.

Andrea Garrett

Deborah Gubiotti

Diane Harvey: J&C First Steps

Rachel Lindsley: Rachel's Angels Day Care

Nana's House Child Care Center, Inc.

Marlena Pittaluga-Egan:

Marlena's Family Daycare

Precious Child Care II

Deborah Silon: Little People's Express

Twin Bridge Play School Inc.

Kristy Petrowsky

Sullivan County Head Start: (All locations)



## Medication Administration

Obtain your MAT Certification with a new independent at home study program and a testing period done 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 Program (CACFP)

### **Breastfeeding Friendly Child Care Homes:**

Jessica Dean, Diane Harvey, Vanessa Jones, Terri Pellam, Kristy Petrowsky  
Marlena Pittaluga-Egan, Tara Poje, Ellie Reed, Elizabeth Rivera-Corchado,

*Thank you for supporting mothers who choose to breastfeed as they return to work or school.*

For more information call Aimee Pittaluga (845) 292-7166 x306.

### **Provide their bodies with the fuel they need to keep them playing hard!**

Children tend to get hungrier and thirstier after lots of outdoor/gross motor play. Below is a list of higher protein snacks to serve with water to help keep children full longer & well hydrated so they can play harder.

- Avocado mixed with Greek yogurt & wheat crackers and water
- Brown rice cakes with peanut butter and bananas and water
- Tuna in a hard boiled egg white, pretzels and water
- Apple dipped in Greek yogurt that is mixed with honey and cinnamon and water
- Turkey/hams/cheese rolls with juice
- Hazelnut butter mixed with Greek yogurt and strawberries with water
- Cottage cheese with pineapple and water
- Oatmeal with mango and water
- Cheese and whole grain crackers with water
- Yogurt and granola with water
- Celery with peanut butter and raisins with water
- Banana and Babybel cheese with water
- Brown rice and beans with water
- Lentil soup with rye bread and water
- Scrambled eggs with cheese on toast with water
- Chicken salad in pita with water
- Hummus and carrots with water
- Peanut butter and apple with water
- Mixed nuts with apricots with water
- Peppers with Greek yogurt and ranch dip packet with water



## Intensive Technical Assistance

The Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc offers intensive technical assistance. If you would like to gain more knowledge about a specific topic, an individualized training can be set up to address your needs as one session or multiple session workshops (conducted at your home during down time in your program).

If you would like to earn training credit through intensive technical assistance consider the following:

- “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”

or Choose Your Own Topic!

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.

## SUNY Video Conferences

<http://ecetp.pdp.albany.edu>

The SUNY Video conference will be 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.*

June 19th:

Author Study: Mo Willems

September 11th:

Quality Programming in Child Care

October 23rd:

Caring for Children w ADHD

November 20th:

Continuity of Care

<http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/videoconferencing.shtm>

To register: Online @

<http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/signup.shtm>;

Fax to: (518) 443-5941; or call (518) 443-5940.

## Online Trainings

### Child Care Aware Training Academy™

Find the courses on our website

[www.scchildcare.com](http://www.scchildcare.com)—under Provider Education! or [www.smarthorizons.org/naccrra/sccc](http://www.smarthorizons.org/naccrra/sccc)

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. Courses range from 2 hours for \$35 to 20 hours for \$149.

Training Academy benefits:

- 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 and college credit
- CEU certificates issued immediately

\*Currently individual trainings are approved for OCFS training hours. EIP approval is in-process. For more information visit the website listed above.

### NYSOCFS/PDP Online Trainings—FREE!

[www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/learn\\_catalog.shtm](http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/learn_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:

OCFS Hrs/Topics Covered CDA CEU's/Topics Covered	Hrs/ CEU's	Cost	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>Early Intervention (Online)</b>	1.5 0.15	Free	X		x	X	x		x	x	
<b>Emergency Preparedness (Online)</b>	1.5 0.15	Free	x			X	x	x	X		
<b>Family Engagement (Online)</b>	1.0	Free			X	X	x	x			
<b>Keeping Children Safe (Online)</b>	1.5 0.15	Free	X		X	X			X		
<b>Mandated Reporter Online Training</b>	2.0 0.2	Free						X			
<b>Managing Challenging Behavior (Online)</b>	1.5	Free	X		x					x	
<b>Obesity Prevention( Online) ***NEW***</b>	2.0	Free	x	X							
<b>Preventing SBS (Online)</b>	1.0 0.1	Free	X		x	x					X
<b>Preventing SIDS &amp; Promoting Safe Sleep (Online)</b>	1 0.1	Free	X		X	X			X	x	
<b>Transportation (Online)</b>	2.0	Free	X			X	x		X		

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 MAT 8a-4p @ Council (More info p 4)
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day 
15 	16 Infant Toddler Training: <b>Parents as Partners</b> 6:30p-8:30p @ Council	17	18	19 SUNY Videoconference <b>Author Study: Mo Willems</b> 6:45p-9:15p @ Council	20	21 Summer Solstice 
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Islamic Ramadan (begins at sunset)
29	30	 <b>June 2014</b>				

Check out our Training and Events Calendar on our website at <http://scschildcare.com/calendar/>.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 <b>Health &amp; Safety</b> (Part I of III) 9a—4p @ Council *Will only run with 4 paid registrants
13	14	15	16 <b>Information Session</b> 10:30a @ Council (More info p.11)	17 <b>Health &amp; Safety</b> (Part II of III) 2p—8p @ Council	18	19 <b>Health &amp; Safety</b> (Part III of III) 9a—4p @ Council
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 Eid-al-Fitr (Ramadan Ends)	30	<b>July 2014</b>		

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1>August 2014</h1>					1	2
					3	4
10	11 Infant Toddler Training: <b>Child Care            Environment</b> 6:30p-8:30p @ Council	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 31	25	26	27	28	29	30

**\*\*Please Note\*\* Training Expectations**

In order to ensure the most productive and enjoyable training experience, please keep the following in mind when attending a Council training:

- Arrive on time. If you arrive more than 10 minutes late for the training, you will not be admitted.
- No children are permitted during training sessions.
- Put cell phones on vibrate/silent mode. If you need to take a call during the training, please leave the room.
- In order to receive credit for the training, you must stay for the full training. *If you are asked to leave for interrupting the group due to cell phone use or side conversations, you will not receive a certificate.*
- If you need to leave early for any reason, you will not receive any credit for the training.
- Side conversations will not be permitted as they are distracting to the group.
- We appreciate your understanding and cooperation!

OCFS Hrs/Topics Covered CDA CEU's/Topics Covered	Hrs/ CEU's	Cost/ Reduced Cost	1 1	2 2	3 3	4 4	5 5	6 6	7 7	8 8	9 9
<b>MAT</b>	2.5	\$160					X x				
<b>Health &amp; Safety</b>	15.0 1.5	\$250	x	X		X	X x	X	X x	X	X
SUNY Videoconference: <b>Author Study: Mo Willems</b>	2.5 .25	Free	X x	x	X						
SUNY Videoconference: <b>Caring for Children w ADHD</b>	2.5 .25	Free	X		x						
SUNY Videoconferences: <b>Quality Programming</b>	2.5 .25	Free	X x		X						
<b>Child Care Environment</b>	2.0	\$10			X			x			
<b>Parents as Partners</b>	2.0	\$10			X				x		

<b>OCFS TOPICS</b>	1. Principles of Child Development
	2. Nutrition and Health Needs of Infants and Children
	3. Program Development
	4. Safety and Security Procedures
	5. Business Record Maintenance and Management
	6. Child Abuse and Maltreatment Identification & Prevention
	7. Statues and regulations pertaining to child daycare
	8. States & Regs pertaining to Child Abuse & Maltreatment
	9. Shaken Baby syndrome

<b>GDA TOPICS</b>	1. Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment
	2. Steps to advance children's physical and intellectual development
	3. Positive ways to support children's social and emotional development
	4. Strategies to establish productive relationships with families
	5. Strategies to manage an effective program operation
	6. Maintaining a commitment to professionalism
	7. Observing and recording children's behavior
	8. Principles of child development and learning

## Focus on the Regulations

### New Family & Group Family Child Care Regulations are now in effect!

If you had a substitute, they now have a pending status until all required information is received and approved.

Review sections 416/417.13 **Caregiver Qualifications.** Providers, assistant(s) & substitutes must:

- Be 18 years old
- Meet qualifications in .13(a)(2)
- Provide 3 references
- Submit medical statement
- Criminal history review
- Review by Justice Center for Protection of Persons with Special Needs
- SCR Database check
- .13(f) A person is not approved to be a caregiver until the child care program receives written approval from the Office.

If you have a firearm in your home, you need to have a written acknowledgement that you have shared that information with the parents.

416/417.5(x)(5) Child care programs shall give written notice to parents and the Office, on forms furnished by the Office or an approved equivalent, that a firearm, shotgun, rifle or ammunition is on the premises.

Yes there are state forms! Visit <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/documents/docsChildCare.asp> to download the forms.

Please call your registrar or licensor with questions!

## From the Desk of the Registrar

### Dear Providers,

There are and will be many questions as we begin to implement the new regulations (for Family and Group Family Child Care). Please don't hesitate to contact us with questions.

Many of you have had questions regarding forms. Please continue to look at <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/documents/docsChildCare.asp> for updated information. (Many new forms have been recently added.) If you are unable to download the forms on the OCFS website, please visit our website, <http://scchildcare.com/providers/forms/>. Many of the forms are available in PDF format. If you don't see a form you are looking for, please contact the office or send an email to [info@scchildcare.com](mailto:info@scchildcare.com) and we will add the form for your convenience.

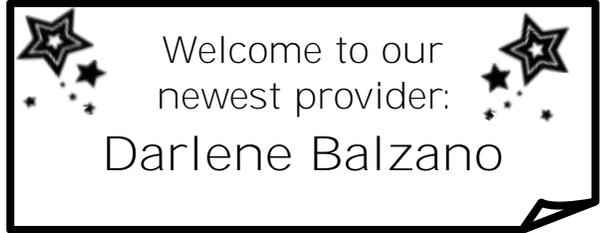
Many other questions will come up. Now is the time to discuss the

issues with your licensor or Registrar and receive technical assistance to make sure you remain in compliance in the future.

Many of you have received copies of the new regulations. If you have not received a copy, your licensor or registrar may be able to bring you a copy at your next inspection (give them a call) or you can download them at [http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/childcare/daycare\\_regs.asp](http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/childcare/daycare_regs.asp).

Remember it is your responsibility as a child care provider to know the regulations and remain in compliance. Please ask for assistance or clarification when you are feeling overwhelmed or uncertain so child care continues to remain safe, healthy and in compliance for the children, for your families and your businesses and for the county at large!

**Theresa Murdock-Marin**  
Registrar



## Dear Jodi

### Dear Jodi,

I am nervous that I will miss something with the upcoming new regulations. Can you give me an overview of what has changed?? How should I be documenting? What are the important things I should know? HELP!

### Feeling overwhelmed, Bloomingburg

### Dear Overwhelmed,

Whenever you are feeling overwhelmed it's good to start with baby steps. There are 14 readable sections of the regulations for day care homes. Read one section a day and write down questions. Email or call your licensor or registrar to get your questions answered.

Look at <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/documents/docsChildCare.asp> when you see a documentation requirement to see if there is a new form (there are many!)

Review the videoconference at <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/newregsvideo.asp>. The videoconference goes over the regulatory changes and each section of the regulations can be played in a separate segment.

If you have questions, please ask! That is the best way to clarify the information.

You can email your questions to [info@scchildcare.com](mailto:info@scchildcare.com) and we can help clarify and compile training requests!

**Thank you,**  
**Jodi**

### **Please Take Note of our Facebook Policy**

Pictures of children will not be allowed to be uploaded onto our Facebook "wall" without the Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc. having prior written consent from the parents/guardians. If a picture is posted on our wall the image will be removed within 24 hours/business day. The person that posted the photo will receive an email outlining our policy. If this policy is broken a second time the person will be blocked from interacting on the page.



**Like us for our news feeds on your home page  
with information about current child care happenings!**

## Message From Donna Willi, Executive Director

(Continued from p.1) We face many dilemmas in our day to day. Some are a quick fix and some will take years or generations to improve and correct. Child care has a long way to go. Until the industry reaches an optimal solution for parents, providers and our communities we must all continue to build the road toward safe, high quality child care for all children and families, beginning with the demand for regulated child care.

We challenge the employers of Sullivan County to evaluate the child care needs of their employees and work with us to resolve their issues. We challenge the parents of Sullivan County to ask more questions and seek the guidance and support of their local child care resource and referral agency to ensure their children are experiencing safe, high quality child care. We challenge the regulated child care providers of Sullivan County to renew or obtain their child development credential, to offer program hours to meet the demands of our working families and to engage in QUALITYstarsNY.

The Council continues to support regulated child care and QUALITYstarsNY and is available to provide guidance, training and technical assistance to anyone interested in meeting the challenge of ensuring all children are in safe, high quality, regulated child care programs. Visit our website at: [www.scchildcare.com](http://www.scchildcare.com) or call (845) 292-7166. We are here to serve you!

Warm Regards,  
Donna Willi, Executive Director

## Get Swabbed!

I have been a child care provider in this community for over 20 years and I believe we can make a difference by getting swabbed to be a bone marrow donor. You may be able save someone's life!

**Please join us at the 2nd Annual Drive!**

For details and directions, contact Faith Metzinger (845) 482-3420.



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Villa Roma Bone Marrow Drive

July 11th and 12th ; 8am-6pm both days  
Villa Roma Resort and Conference Center  
Callicoon NY 12723

## Legally Exempt Child Care Rates

Standard Without training	0 - 1½ yrs	1½-2yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
<b>Weekly</b>	\$98	\$91	\$91	\$91
<b>Daily</b>	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20
<b>Part Day</b>	\$13	\$13	\$13	\$13
<b>Hourly</b>	\$2.60	\$2.60	\$2.60	\$2.76

Enhanced With training	0 - 1½ yrs	1½-2yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
<b>Weekly</b>	\$105	\$98	\$98	\$98
<b>Daily</b>	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21
<b>Part Day</b>	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14
<b>Hourly</b>	\$2.80	\$2.80	\$2.80	\$2.98

## Subscribe to SCCC E-News

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QUALITYstarsNY is a voluntary system that will be available to all regulated programs serving young children—in centers, schools and homes. It **provides guidance, support and resources for technical assistance and professional development so that programs improve their quality rating over time.** Star ratings are based on an evaluation and assessment of practices in the following categories: *Learning Environment; Family Engagement; Qualifications & Experience; Management & Leadership.*

## Child Care Time & Attendance

If you are interested in submitting your time sheets electronically through the Child Care Time & Attendance (CCTA) system, please contact the Council for more information at (845) 292-7166.

## Product Recalls

www.cpsc.gov

### Home Heating & Cooling Thermostats

**Recall date:** April 30, 2014

**Hazard:** The alkaline batteries used in the thermostat can leak onto the circuit board posing a fire hazard.

**Remedy:** Consumers should check thermostats for battery icon on the left side of the blue lighted screen, if the battery icon is not shown, contact White-Rodgers to receive a free repair or a replacement thermostat.

**Consumer Contact:** White-Rodgers toll-free at (888) 624-1901 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. CT Monday through Friday or online at [www.white-rodgers.com](http://www.white-rodgers.com) and click on "White-Rodgers 1F8x-04xx Thermostat Recall" at the lower left corner of the homepage for more information.

### 2014 Cannondale Tandem Bicycles

**Recall date:** May 5, 2014

**Hazard:** The bicycle fork can break and cause the riders to lose control, posing a risk of injury.

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately stop using the bicycles and return them to the nearest authorized Cannondale dealer to receive a free replacement fork.

**Consumer Contact:** Cycling Sports Group at (800) 726-2453 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday. Consumers can email the firm at [custserve@cyclingsportsgroup.com](mailto:custserve@cyclingsportsgroup.com).

### Radio-controlled Helicopter Kits and Spindle Sets

**Recall date:** April 30, 2014

**Hazard:** The main rotor washer can fail, causing the blades to come off the helicopter during use. This poses an injury hazard to the operator and bystanders.

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled radio-controlled helicopter. Contact Horizon Hobby for replacement washers & instructions to install them.

**Consumer Contact:** Horizon Hobby, toll-free at (877) 504-0233 from 8am—7pm CT Monday—Friday, 8am—5pm CT Saturday & 12pm—5pm CT Sunday, or online at [www.horizonhobby.com](http://www.horizonhobby.com).

### Children's Wall-mounted Lamps

**Recall date:** April 29, 2014

**Hazard:** Children can get entangled in the electrical cord that hangs from the children's wall-mounted lamps, posing a strangulation hazard.

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled lamps, remove them from the wall and contact IKEA for a free repair kit. Do not use the lamp until the repair kit is installed. The repair kit has self-adhesive fasteners for attaching the lamp's cord to the wall as well as safety instructions.

**Consumer Contact:** IKEA toll-free at (888) 966-4532 anytime or online at [www.ikea-usa.com](http://www.ikea-usa.com) and click on the Recall link at the top of the page for more information.

## Child Restraint Recalls

www.recalls.gov

### Baby Trend, Inc—4/1/2014

NHTSA Campaign #: 14C002000  
Potential # Affected:16,655

The defect involves difficulty in unlatching the harness buckle. In some cases, the buckle becomes stuck in a latched condition so that it cannot be opened by depressing the buckle's release button.

**Consequence:** It may be difficult to remove the child from the restraint, increasing the risk of injury in the event of an emergency in which a prompt exit from the vehicle is required.

**Remedy:** Baby Trend will notify registered owners and will provide replacement buckles when they become available. The manufacturer has not yet provided the agency with a notification schedule or buckle availability schedule. Owners may contact Baby Trend at 1-800-328-7363 or visit their website at [www.babytrend.com](http://www.babytrend.com).

**Notes:** Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

### Evenflo Co Inc—4/3/2014

NHTSA Campaign #: 14C003000  
Potential # Affected:1,368,649

The defect involves difficulty in unlatching the harness buckle. In the convertible car seats and harnessed booster seats, the buckle may become stuck in a latched condition so that it cannot be opened by depressing the buckle's release button.

**Consequence:** It may be difficult to remove the child from the restraint, increasing the risk of injury in the event of an emergency in which a prompt exit from the vehicle is required.

**Remedy:** Evenflo will notify registered owners in April 2014. The company will start providing replacement buckles along with installation instructions in April 2014. Owners may contact Evenflo at 1-800-490-7591 or online at [www.buckle.evenflo.com](http://www.buckle.evenflo.com). Consumers should contact Evenflo at the number or website listed here with the seat's model and date of manufacture to confirm that their seat is included.

**Notes:** Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

#### My Dog Fred

I have a dog.	He won't roll over,
His name is Fred.	shake or crawl.
He won't play fetch.	In fact, he won't
He won't play dead.	do tricks at all.

He won't shake hands	When people ask
or sit or stay	I tell them that's
or bark or beg	because my dog
or run and play.	was raised by cats.

—Kenn Nesbitt

## 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**.

## Prospective Child Care Providers

If you are interested in becoming a child care provider please visit [www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/childcare/techreq.asp](http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/childcare/techreq.asp) for a *free online Orientation* and to request an application.

If you prefer to attend a face to face orientation session; providing you the opportunity to ask direct and specific questions to the Registration Coordinator here in Sullivan County, please sign up for one of the face to face Orientation Sessions listed below:

**Wednesday, July 16, 2014, 10:30 am**

**Wednesday, September 17, 2014 5:30 pm**

**Wednesday, November 19, 2014, 10:30 am**

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

## Child Care Programs in Sullivan

Township	OCFS Registered/Licensed Child Care Programs			Other Programs	
	Day Care Centers	Family Day Care Homes	Group Family Day Care Homes	Private Schools	School Age Programs (SACC)
Bethel		2	0		Yes
Callicoon	0	3	2		
Cochecton	0	1	0		
Delaware	0	3	0		
Fallsburg	3	6	1		Yes
Forestburgh	0	0	0		
Fremont	0	0	0		
Highland	0	1	0		
Liberty	1	11	5	Yes	Yes
Lumberland	0	1	1	Yes	
Mamakating	1	2	2		Yes
Neversink	0	4	3		Yes
Rockland	0	3	0		
Thompson	6	5	5	Yes	Yes
Tusten	0	0	0		

Average Weekly Cost of Child Care	6wks-18mos	6wks-24mos	2yrs-5yrs	18mos-36mos	3y-5y	5y-12y
Family Day Care	n/a	\$168.75	\$163.32	n/a	n/a	\$127.77
Group Family Day Care	n/a	\$170.00	\$153.75	n/a	n/a	\$110.00
Day Care Center	\$180.00	n/a	na	\$160.00	\$152.18	\$150.00

## Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc. 2014 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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_\*

### Mail Form & Payment To:

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

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

Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

\*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!

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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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