

Caregiver News

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

Promoting Diversity in Childcare

It is never too early to begin promoting diversity in a childcare setting. Children begin to notice racial and gender differences at age 2. At 2 1/2, they learn the words associated with different races and genders and how to apply them and by age 3, they begin to notice physical disabilities. Between age 4 and 5 they begin to become fearful of differences and begin to display gender appropriate behavior. Teaching children about diversity at a young age is crucial.

Try these things to promote diversity in your program:

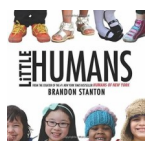
- Embrace the cultural differences of the families of children in your care. Invite the families for 'show and tell' giving them the chance to share pieces of their culture with the classroom. Collect family photos and display them on a "family tree"
- Have culturally diverse posters hung on the walls at eye level for the children
- Represent diversity in the toys and materials available in your classroom (Book, magazines, puzzles, dolls, paintings, music, etc.)

Look to add these books to your classroom library!

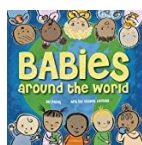
It's Okay to Be Different by Todd Parr



Little Humans by Brandon Stanton



Babies Around the World by Puck



Other Titles to look for :

- Splash!
- Smile!
- PeekABoo!
- All by Roberta Grobel
- Ten Tiny Babies by Karen Katz
- Global Babies by Global Fund for Children

Become a SC Foster Parent Today

Sullivan County needs foster families!

There is always a need for more foster homes for the children of Sullivan County but COVID has increased the demand and Sullivan County Foster Care is in desperate need of new families and homes to serve these children!

Homes are needed for infants all the way up to teens and specifically, homes able to accommodate large groups of siblings.

The Foster Care Unit will provide **training, support** and **financial allowances** to care for the children. Anyone 21 and over that has a bed available and can financially support a child can be a foster parent!!

For more information, go to: <https://sullivanny.us/Departments/Familyservices/Childrenandfamilyservices/Fostercare> or contact

Michael J. Osepowicz,
Senior Caseworker at
(845) 292-0100
x2292 OR x2389

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The Sullivan County Child Care Council *is* operating and we have at least one member of the staff present in the office each business day. However, we are not open to the public at this time.

If you need to drop something off, give us a CALL FIRST and we will be happy to make arrangements so that you have access to the building. Thank you for your understanding and stay safe.



Mid-Hudson Problem Gambling Resource Center

Submitted By: Colleen Jones

The Mid-Hudson Problem Gambling Resource Center (PGRC) was opened on May 1st, 2019. The goal of the Mid-Hudson PGRC is to raise awareness about problem gambling and connect those adversely affected by problem gambling to care. The Mid-Hudson PGRC is one of seven statewide programs providing these services under the New York Council on Problem Gambling (NYCPG)

The NYCPG wanted to make sure that services were available to everyone in New York State for those struggling with problem gambling, as well as those negatively impacted by it. In 2015, the NYCPG created a pilot program in Queens County, which resulted in increased engagement with clinical treatment, as well as treatment retention rates. NYCPG saw a need for programs like this with additional treatment options across the state, and the Problem Gambling Resource Centers were created.

Gambling means to risk something of value on a game of chance in the hopes of a positive outcome. Most people can gamble and not experience problems. However, for some, gambling can become a real problem.

Simply put, problem gambling is when gambling causes problems in your life. Problem gambling can develop into a gambling disorder. It has potential to damage relationships with friends and family and mimic other addictions. There aren't any outward warning signs to "test for" a gambling problem, so it can easily be covered up. Consequently, problem gambling has been nicknamed "the hidden addiction." Problem gambling can affect anyone at any point in their lives. As with most addictions, problem gambling can also impact the friends and families of those struggling with their gambling.

The Mid-Hudson PGRC is here to help you and your community. We are here to connect people to help. The Mid-Hudson PGRC works to increase access to treatment services through our network of licensed clinicians who are trained and prepared to help those affected by problem gambling. In addition to connecting to care, the Mid-Hudson PGRC works on raising awareness by distributing materials on problem gambling and providing training specific to problem gambling.

If you or a loved one is struggling with problem gambling, call or text 914-215-6440 for help.

The Mid-Hudson PGRC is grateful to have had a presence in the region over this past year and having been able to connect clients to the care and services that they need.

PROBLEM GAMBLING
MID-HUDSON
RESOURCE CENTER
— Here to Help —

What are the warning signs of problem gambling?

Gambling to escape your worries, frustration, or disappointments
Neglecting other responsibilities to concentrate on gambling activities
Increasing the amount of money bet in an effort to win back losses
Gambling with money needed for necessary expenses, such as groceries or medication
Feeling Desperate, depressed or even suicidal because of gambling

Ask Yourself

During the past 12 months, have you become restless irritable or anxious when trying to stop/cut down on gambling?

During the past 12 months, have you tried to keep your family or friends from knowing how much you gambled?

During the past 12 months, did you have such financial trouble that you had to get help with living expenses from family, friends, or welfare?

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 a convenient time for your program).

Consider the following topics, or choose your own:

- "Creating a Positive Environment"**
- "Benefiting from Family Style Eating"**
- "Age Appropriate Room Arrangements"**
- "Supervision"**
- "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 to request a session or for more information call Aimee Pittaluga at (845) 292-7166 x 306.

This free service is funded by NYSOCFS.

During this time we can offer sessions via Zoom—try it!

OCFS Child Care Forms

Required OCFS forms are available at:

<http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/documents/docsChildCare.asp>

Don't forget to order your NEW versions of the blue card!!!

Print new ones directly from the website as needed, or go to <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/documents/docs%20Pubs.asp> and you can order free copies of all OCFS Forms using the order form.

QUALITYstarsNY

QUALITYstarsNY is a voluntary five-star "rating system" for providers much like those used for hotels and restaurants, with the number of stars indicating the quality of an early care and learning program. However, unlike other rating systems, QUALITYstarsNY provides an infrastructure for assessing, improving and communicating the quality of care provided by early learning programs.

QualitystarsNY is here in Sullivan County!

<http://qualitystarsny.org/index.php>

Click "Interested in Applying" to start the process of becoming the **first** program in Sullivan County to participate in the New York State QUALITY RATING SYSTEM.

Message from Donna Willi, Executive Director

Boy oh boy – these are some challenging times. Childcare has never had a more diverse meaning than it does at this moment in time.

Our infants and toddlers are seeing their caregivers in masks and face shields. Our three and four- year olds must wear masks and learn to social distance; the very opposite of what is natural and age appropriate for kids this age. There are on-line pre-school programs popping up, but screen time has proven to have a negative effect on their behavior and learning. Which is best for our kids and their families? Parents and programs are struggling with these decisions and options every day.

As for our school aged kids who have looked forward to that first day of school each year, for their parents who look forward to getting back into a routine – not this year – not anytime soon. Parents are perplexed on how to juggle work, in school time, out of school time and the additional expenses added to their budgets.

We here at the Council are keeping up with the choices, changes and options in our County as much as possible. There are new programs in the works and we are collaborating with as many of our community partners as possible to help resolve these challenges as quickly as possible and provide information and guidance to our families and employers.

The Council is committed to providing support to our childcare programs, families and community – we are here when you need us and will hang in there if you will. We can do it! And above all else – stay healthy.

Yours in Child Care,
Donna

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 or call the Council (845) 292-7166 x309.

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

MAT Approved Programs

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

Best Friends Services, Inc.

Jessica Dean

Early Childhood Cooperative Experience

Easter Seals of New York, Inc.

Deborah Gubiotti

J&C First Steps Daycare, LLC: Diane Harvey

Nana's House Child Care Center, Inc.

New Hope Manor

Twin Bridge Play School Inc.

Sullivan County Head Start, Inc. (All locations)

Little Rainbows Daycare

Medication Administration

Obtain your MAT Certification or Renewal through an **independent study program** plus testing with a SUNY MAT instructor.

*You **must** renew your MAT Certificate every 3 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

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

Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

Is your child care provider on the CACFP Program? If you want to know if your child's provider participates in healthy meals by CACFP OR you are a child care provider interested in getting reimbursed for healthy meals to the children in your care, call Aimee at (845) 292-7166.

Thank You CACFP Providers

During these challenging times, we know the importance of hand washing as the most effective way to prevent germs/ viruses from spreading. Make sure to teach the children in your care how important it is to properly wash your hands. Even if hand sanitizer is used, soap and water should be used once available. Give children a toy to soap and wash with them in the sink, sing a song, name each finger as you wash it, teach them new words like top, bottom, tip, knuckle, palm, under, above....be creative!

You can encourage children to explore new foods by offering individual food activities. Be mindful that food is cut into age appropriate pieces. For example, try fresh fruits on a skewer (or straw for younger children). Give each child their own plate of cut up strawberries, melon, grapes, apples, bananas, mango.....

Ideas to make food part of a learning experience

- Ask the children to name each fruit
- Name a fruit and let them put that fruit on their skewer
- Ask them to pick a red fruit for their skewer
- Ask them to put their favorite fruit on tier skewer
- Ask them to pick a round fruit
- Ask them to pick a fruit they need to peel to eat
- Tell them to add their fruit to the bottom/top
- Ask which fruit is in the middle
- Make a pattern with the different fruits
- Ask all the children to try the other child's favorite
- Which apple taste better, the red/green/or pink?
- Which fruit is the sweetest/most sour/tastiest?
- Chart the children's favorite and show them which is most popular by visual image
- Send a note home with the parents about what fruits the child liked best to encourage healthy eating at home.
- Read a book about fruits and how they grow
- Go outside and look for fruit trees & bushes
- Grow a garden

There are so many ways to take a simple meal activity and grow it into science, math, fine motor skills, literacy, vocabulary and more. Be creative! Be silly! Make a dance about being a banana. Learning can be fun through simple activities like this. Be well and be safe!

Aimee Pittaluga, CACFP Coordinator

Online Training

NYSOCFS/PDP Online Trainings—FREE!

www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/elearn.aspx

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	Hours	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	1.5	1, 3, 4, 7	3, 4, 6
Family Engagement	1.0	3, 4	4, 5, 6
Foundations in Health & Safety	5.0	2, 3, 6, 7, 9	NA
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

Family Daycare Association

In June, we held our first VIRTUAL Family Daycare Association meeting! Training hours are not available for the virtual meetings, but still a good place to discuss any concerns and discuss the changes that are occurring every day. Look for an email on when our next Virtual FDA meeting will be held!

STAY SAFE AND STAY HEALTHY!!

Technical Assistance is still available virtually at this time. Please contact Aimee Pittaluga for any Infant Toddler needs while Kelsey is on maternity leave through October.

Find us on Facebook in our *private* group: Sullivan County Family Daycare Association!

Webcast Trainings

ecetp.pdp.albany.edu

Webcasts are held at the **Sullivan County Child Care Council in Liberty**; classes start promptly at 6:45. These are adult learning experiences; no children, please.

Town Hall Meeting: Challenging Behavior

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

To sign up or for the most current brochure, go to:
www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/webcasting.aspx.

Videoconference trainings are funded by the NYSOCFS. They are produced by the Early Childhood Education and Training Program and are conducted in English.

*****Please contact the Council to find out if these trainings are running as scheduled!***

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 like:
 - Behavior management strategies
 - Responsive care giving
 - Understanding the NYS Child Care Regulations
 - Developmentally appropriate practice
 - Infant and 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 "Caring Spaces" endorsement

Call Aimee (while Kelsey is home with their new addition, **Mattias Jude born July 30, 2020**) to find out about the free services and grant money we are offering for participating in the Infant Toddler Network!

(845) 292-7166 x306

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September		1	2	3	4	5
6 Read a Book Day	7 Labor Day- Council Closed	8	9	10	11	12
13 Grandparents Day	14	15	16	17	18 Rosh Hashana	19
20	21 First Day of Fall	22	23	24	25	26
27 Yom Kippur	28	29	30			

Find EIP approved training and register at www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/FindTraining.aspx.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Columbus Day- Council Closed	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Happy Halloween

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Savings Ends	2	3 Election Day- VOTE!	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Veterans Day - Council Closed	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Council Closed	26 Thanksgiving Council Closed	27 Council Closed	28
29	30	November				

CDA CONTENT AREAS	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
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CORE COMPETENCY AREAS	1. Child Growth and Development 2. Family and Community Relationships 3. Observation and Assessment 4. Environment and Curriculum 5. Health, Safety and Nutrition 6. Professionalism and Leadership 7. Administration and Management
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OCFS TOPICS	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. Statutes and regulations pertaining to child daycare 8. Statutes & regs pertaining to Child Abuse & Maltreatment 9. Shaken Baby syndrome
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Thinking about becoming a childcare provider? Or are you a current provider that needs a refresher? The Child Care Council offers Health and Safety classes for interested participants! Call Donna to inquire about our next scheduled class!
(845) 292-7166 x309

Course Title	Hrs/ CEU's	Cost/ Reduced Cost	OCFS Topics	CDA Areas	CBK Areas
First Aid / CPR	5	\$75	2, 4	—	5
Health & Safety Training	15/ 1.5	\$250	2,4,5, 6,7,8,9	TBA	TBA

Educational Incentive Program (EIP)

EIP is sponsored by the NYSOCFS, funded by the federal Child Care & Development Fund and administered by the Professional Development Program (PDP), Rockefeller College, University at Albany.

The following grants & scholarships are available to child care providers:

- **College Credit, Non-Credit Bearing & Credential Training:** to assist child care providers in paying for professional development training & education
- **Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) & First Aid (FA):** to assist income eligible providers offset the cost
- **The MAT Rebate Program:** For child care facilities to offset the cost of the training to certify staff to administer medication in a child care setting.

Apply online at: <https://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/mytraining/EIPAPP/preapp.aspx>

You may also contact EIP by email ateip-to@albany.edu, or by phone at either (800) 295-9616 or (518) 442-6575.

Focus on the Regulations

Review Regulations @ ocfs.ny.gov

SPOTLIGHT ON Emergency Regulations

Management and Administration

(a) General registration requirements. Obtain a Registration and Operate in Compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations

(i) Each family day care home must obtain a registration from the Office. No person or entity may operate a family day care home without a registration from the Office.

(ii) Each family day care home must operate in compliance with the regulations of the Office and all other applicable laws and regulations.

(iii) Each family day care home must operate in compliance with all emergency health guidance promulgated by the Department of Health in the interest of public health during a designated public health emergency. Provided that, during a designated public health emergency, any relevant emergency directives from the executive chamber or from the Department of Health shall supersede regulations of the Office in the case of any conflict.

Adhere to hygiene, cleaning, and disinfection requirements from the CDC and Department of Health (DOH) and maintain logs on site that document date, time, and scope of cleaning and disinfection.

Provide and maintain hand

hygiene stations: handwashing with soap, running warm water, and disposable paper towels; alcohol-based hand sanitizer containing 60% or more alcohol for areas where handwashing is not available/practical.

Make hand sanitizer available throughout common areas on site.

Employees/staff and children/campers must perform hand hygiene immediately upon entering the program. Require staff and children to practice hygiene in the following instances:

- Upon arrival to the first program activity;
- Between all program activities;
- After using the restroom;
- Before eating; and
- Before departing the last program activity.

Provide appropriate cleaning/disinfection supplies for shared and frequently touched surfaces (e.g. door handles, multi-seat strollers, toys, art supplies, areas where children eat), and encourage employees to use these supplies before/after use of these surfaces, followed by hand hygiene.

Regularly clean and disinfect equipment and toys using the Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) list of products identified by the E P A as effective against COVID-19.

Congratulations

to our newest registered / licensed child care providers:

CAITLIN STEFFENS OF GIGI'S PLACE



Dear Jodi

Dear Jodi,

I am a family daycare provider. I read through the "Summary of Guidance for Child Care and Daycare Programs" and I noticed it says I have to train my staff and be trained myself on the proper application of PPE and social distancing guidelines. Where do I find that and does it count for training credits?

Being Cautious

Dear Being Cautious,

This is a great question, there are so many things changing and so much information out there. I am happy to see you picked up on this. Training and information for yourself and your staff can be found on the CDC website <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/guidance-for-childcare.html#General>.

The CDC site contains information for daycare programs and schools. Also, there are some short videos on the healthcare workers link regarding putting on and taking off PPE. This is not counted as credits towards your training, however, it is mandatory. It would be helpful to log the training date in your documentation as proof of the training for your Licensor/Registrar.

~Jodi

From the Desk of the Registrar

Hello everyone,

There are so many things to be said about our current state in the pandemic. There are many uncertainties, questions and considerations. We all have stories to tell. We all lean on each other as friends and colleagues to understand and overcome hurdles we never thought would be put in front of us. We are learning our own resilience and capabilities as adults. Yet, we all have one thing on our mind, the children we serve. Whether by keeping in contact will their parents who are at home or keeping them safe in your program. Although we are physically distant we stand together in this for our families and the kids. Thank you for being you!

Be well and safe.

Sue Sennett
Registrar

Child Care Time & Attendance (CCTA)

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

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

There are several **benefits to using CCTA** 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.

It is recommended to use Internet Explorer on desktops or laptops. Most iPads and other hand held tablets are not supported by this system

****REMINDER – ALL timesheets have a 60 expiration date from the last date of service. ANY TIMESHEETS that are RECEIVED AFTER the 60 expiration date (electronically or paper) will be RETURNED to provider as NOT PAYABLE****

If you are interested in submitting your timesheets online or have any other questions or concerns, please call the SCCCC at (845) 292-7166.

NY Works for Children/ASPIRE

What The Aspire Registry can do for you:

- Provide you with a free online professional portfolio
- Keep a record of your education, employment, and professional development all in one place
- Help you find and register for training and professional development
- **One step closer to QualityStarsNY participation!**

What The Aspire Registry can do for the early childhood field:

- Bring increased recognition, professionalism, and compensation to the early childhood field
- Collect important data to influence policy decisions

As always, please feel free to reach out to us with any specific questions about The Aspire Registry by emailing us at info@nyworksforchildren.org.

Legally Exempt News

Legally Exempt News & Regulation Update

Timesheet DO's and DON'TS:

- **DON'T** submit later than 60 days after the last day of care on the submitted timesheet
- **DON'T** claim hours children were not present in your program
- **DON'T** claim hours if parents were not at work
- **DO** complete in BLUE ink
- **DO** be sure ALL boxes are completed
- **DO** be sure ALL times are accurate
- **DO** make sure both parent and provider sign and date the timesheets
- **DO** advise of ANY changes in the household or location
- **DO** read info below

Since September 25, 2019, as you may know, many Legally Exempt providers are now required to have a comprehensive background checks completed prior to being eligible for payments. This includes finger printing, child abuse check, sex offender check and state exclusion list. You should also expect additional in program visits meant to support you in meeting the regulatory requirements. We will be verifying care and providing you with in program technical assistance to help you stay in compliance with the health and safety regulations.

Legally Exempt Child Care Rates

Standard Without training	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$104	\$98	\$98	\$98
Daily	\$23	\$23	\$21	\$20
Part Day	\$15	\$15	\$14	\$13
Hourly	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.25

Enhanced With training	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$112	\$105	\$105	\$105
Daily	\$25	\$25	\$23	\$21
Part Day	\$16	\$16	\$15	\$14
Hourly	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50

LE Group Child Care	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$0	\$0	\$146	\$135
Daily	\$0	\$0	\$33	\$29
Part Day	\$0	\$0	\$22	\$20
Hourly	\$0	\$0	\$6.00	\$5.25

RECALL: Swurfer Kiwi Baby and Toddler Swings

Hazard: The plastic stopper on the bottom of the swing rope that holds the swing seat in place can detach, posing a fall hazard to the swing's occupant.

Recall Date: May 14, 2020

Units Sold: About 3000

Description: This recall involves the Swurfer brand Kiwi Baby and Toddler Swings. The plastic swing is sold in green, blue and pink. The swing attaches to a swing set or a tree branch. The swing measures about 15 inches wide, by 10 inches deep and 20 inches high. The swing weighs about 4 pounds. FlyBar, Inc. and Kiwi Swing SSW-0005 are printed on the underside of the swing. The manufacture date code of August 2019 is embossed on the back of the swing.

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled swings and contact the firm to receive instructions to repair the swings.

Incidents/Injuries: The firm has received six reports of the rope end detaching. No injuries have been reported.

Sold At: Online at Swurfer.com, FlyBar.com, Amazon.com, Walmart.com and at independent stores nationwide from October 2019 through March 2020 for about \$80.

See www.CPSC.com for more details and all up to date recall information.



Safe Sleep Reminders from the AAP

“Approximately 3500 infants die each year in the United States from sleep related infant deaths. The AAP policy statement, [SIDS and Other Sleep-Related Infant Deaths: Updated 2016 Recommendations for a Safe Infant Sleeping Environment](#) provides recommendations for building safe sleep environments. Explore these recommendations and relevant resources below to help families create a safer sleep environments for their children.”

- **Back to sleep for every sleep.**
- **Use a firm sleep surface.**
- **Breastfeeding is recommended.**
- **Room share without bed sharing.**
- **Keep soft objects and loose bedding away from the infant's sleep area to reduce the risk of SIDS, suffocation, entrapment, and strangulation.**
- **Consider offering a pacifier at nap time and bedtime once breastfeeding has been firmly established.**
- **Avoid alcohol and illicit drug use during pregnancy and after birth.**
- **Avoid overheating and head covering in infants.**
- **Pregnant women should obtain regular prenatal care.**
- **Avoid the use of commercial devices that are inconsistent with safe sleep recommendations.**

Visit the American Academy of Pediatrics at www.aap.org for more information on safe sleep and other health and safety concerns.

Contact Us

Business Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:30pm

Assistance in person by appointment only at:

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
6wks-18mos	n/a	n/a	\$200
6wks-24mos	\$150	\$150	n/a
18mos-36mos	n/a	n/a	\$190
3y-5y	n/a	n/a	\$180
2yrs-5yrs	\$150	\$150	n/a
6y-12y	\$143	\$143	\$170

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.

At this time we are not providing face to face orientation sessions but please call Sue Sennett, Registrar with any questions. She is here to help!

Contact us today! Sullivan County, now more than ever before needs child care!

Call (845) 292-7166 OR

Email: info@scchildcare.com.

Sullivan County NEEDS child care providers!
Let us help you help the children of the community!

Fingerprinting services are NO LONGER available at the Sullivan County Child Care Council.

Please call Identigo at (844) 321-2124 or go to <https://uenroll.identigo.com/> to find available locations.

Child Care Programs in Sullivan County

Township	OCFS Registered/Licensed Child Care Programs				Private Schools	Requests for Care 4/1/2020-6/30/2020
	Day Care Centers (DCC)	Family Day Care Homes (FDC)	Group Family Day Care Homes (GFDC)	School-Age Child Care (SACC)		
Bethel	0	0	0	1	0	1
Callicoon	2	2	0	0	0	2
Cochecton	3	3	3	0	0	3
Delaware	0	2	0	0	0	0
Fallsburg	12	12	12	2	0	12
Forestburgh	1	1	0	0	0	1
Fremont	2	2	2	0	0	2
Highland	3	4	4	0	0	4
Liberty	17	17	17	0	0	17
Lumberland	1	1	1	0	0	3
Mamakating	7	7	7	0	0	7
Neversink	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rockland	4	4	3	0	0	4
Thompson	32	34	32	2	0	37
Tusten	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	84	89	81	5	0	93

Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc. 2020 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)

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

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PO Box 186, Ferndale, NY 12734

*Please submit a business card with your donation of \$100 or more.
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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!**

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