Building Networks and Meaningful Connections in Family Child Care

Registration open until October 20th!

Family Child Care Conference | Hosted by South Carolina Child Care Resource and Referral

November 1st & 2nd, 2024

Midlands Tech Northeast | 151 Powell Road, Columbia, SC, 29203





SC CCR&R Family Child Care Conference "Building Networks and Meaningful Connections in Family Child Care"

Friday, November 1st - Virtual Only

8:00AM-9:00AM 1 credit towards Health & Safety Safe Sleep

<u>Jessica Sharp, SC PITC:</u> Participants will learn about the new safe sleep regulations for Family Child Care Homes, the Sleep Safe SC Child Care Designation offered by the South Carolina Program for Infant/Toddler Care, and resources available to provide and promote safe sleep.

8:00AM-9:00AM

1 credit towards Program Administration
Funding for Small Businesses

<u>Paul Featheringill, SBDC</u>: The Funding Your Small Business event will cover SBA loan options to start, grow, and expand your small business. Topics will include Grant Opportunities, SBA Loan Types, Loan Qualifications, Credit Requirements, No Cost Available Resources.

9:15AM-11:15AM 2 credits towards Health and Safety New Regulations

Melissa Outen & Cynthia Laura, DSS: Please join us for a live webinar on Understanding the New 2024 Family Child Care Home Regulations with Child Care Licensing. We will review the regulations by sections to ensure you have a good understanding of the regulatory requirements for Family Child Care Homes.

11:30AM-12:30PM 1 credit towards Child Guidance <u>"You're Okay"</u>

Emily Durham, PSSA: When you see a child crying, do you say "You're Okay" or do you stop and consider why the child is crying? Toddlers are learning language and may not yet have the words to let you what they are feeling. As a childcare provider, you need to help children learn how to manage social and emotional competence. Daily within the classroom providers can use strategies to help support toddler's social and emotional development through their use of emotional language. Participants will be able to recognize what internalization and escalation of emotional expression look like in toddlers. Participants will be able to practice using language strategies for supporting social and emotional development.

11:30AM-12:30PM 1 credit towards Professional Development Overview of the T.E.A.C.H Scholarship

Kim Kapadia and Scott Bush, DSS: Overview of the T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Scholarship.

12:45PM-2:45PM 2 credits towards Emergency Preparedness

<u>Darlene Faucette, SC CCR&R:</u> This emergency preparedness training will give you the skills to appropriately react to emergencies to protect yourself and your children better until first responders arrive. Life-threatening emergencies can happen fast, and you may be able to save a life by taking simple actions immediately.

3:00PM-4:00PM 1 credit towards Health and Safety Financial Checkup

<u>Susan Kear, PSSA</u>: Every early care and education program needs to use best practice for their finances to be able to have sustainability. Best practices include budgeting, financial reports, internal controls, and insurance. One of the best practices is to review all these processes on a regular basis. Review is important to make sure that an ECE program has more income coming in

than going out so that there is enough money to pay bills including salaries of staff. The agenda for this session is to talk about these best practices in terms of an annual checkup for your program. Some of these best practices will require you to check bank statements and financial reports monthly to prevent overspending or lack of income. Some practices will be done quarterly and some annually such as your insurance policy. The year-end checkup is in part based on monthly, quarterly, and yearly reviews to make sure that an ECE program is solvent and stable.

3:00PM-4:00PM 1 credit towards Child Growth and Development Self Regulation

<u>Kimberly Sowell, SC CCR&R</u>: In this session, participants will explore the concept of self-regulation in young children, which is a key aspect of their social-emotional development. The ability to manage emotions, control impulses, and adapt behaviors is crucial for children's overall well-being and success in group settings like family child care homes. By understanding the characteristics of social-emotional development during the preschool years, participants will be better equipped to support children in developing these essential skills.

Saturday - In Person Only

8:15AM-10:15AM

2 credits towards Program Administration Introduction to Directing Your Family Child Care Home Business

Darlene Fucette, SC CCR&R: This training program is designed for individuals who are either starting or currently running a family child care home business. It covers the fundamental aspects of directing a successful child care home, including legal requirements, business planning, operational strategies, and creating a positive environment for both children and parents. Participants will gain practical skills and knowledge to effectively manage their business, ensure compliance with regulations, and provide high-quality care.

8:15AM-10:15AM

2 credits towards Curriculum Activities Connecting the SC Early Learning Standards to Family Child Care Lesson Plans

<u>Jenn Adams, SC CCR&R:</u> Explore how to use webbing to connect your theme and lessons into the SCELS. We will form the connections together as we explore the early learning standards.

8:15AM-10:15AM

2 credits towards Curriculum Activities Communicating with Families about Developmental Concerns (2hr)

<u>Erin Martin, SC Inclusion</u>: Explore how to use webbing to connect your theme and lessons into the SCELS. We will form the connections together as we explore the early learning standards.

8:15AM-10:15AM

2 credits towards Child Growth and Development
Enhancing Emotional Literacy through Evidence Based Practices to Build Healthy Social and
Emotional Development for Young Children

Stephanie McAvoy and Yoshida Dallas, Pyramid PIECES: Enhancing Emotional Literacy through Evidence Based Practices to Build Healthy Social and Emotional Development for Young Children Session Description/Objectives During this session, we will discuss the meaning of emotional literacy and what it looks like and sounds like in early childhood classrooms who focus on emotional literacy. Effective practices that will be discussed during this session include classroom displays featuring emotional expressions, direct teaching, games and songs, books, feelings check-ins, and talking about feelings throughout the day. Examples of each practice being implemented in the classroom will be discussed as well. Key considerations when teaching emotional literacy will also be discussed. These include digging deeper into talking about positive and negative emotions and teaching children how to manage difficult emotions. We will present the information with minilectures, videos

of practices being used, discussion of examples and a gallery walk of materials that can be used in the classroom.

10:30AM-12:00PM

1.5 Credits Towards Special Needs
Keynote Disability Culture and Awareness in Child Care Programs

<u>Dori Tempio, ABLE SC:</u> Focuses on the definition and history of disability and appropriate language/terminology for people across the lifespan. This training will cover:

- Disability Culture & Models, Rethinking Disability, Anti-Ableism,
- Disability History and Rights, Recognizing and Utilizing Appropriate Language, and Including Parents with Disabilities in Parent Engagement Activities
- Receive resources about adaptive parenting programs
- In-home child care supports

1:15PM-2:15PM

1 credit towards: Curriculum Activities Play Interactions with Infants and Toddlers: Play with Me

<u>Latisha Wright and Kelly Simmons, PITC:</u> This training session is designed to equip child-care teachers with the knowledge and skills to engage infants and toddlers in meaningful play interactions effectively. Play is a critical component of early childhood development,

contributing to cognitive, social, emotional, and physical growth. Through this training, participants will learn the importance of play, explore different types of play, and acquire practical strategies to facilitate and enhance play experiences in their classrooms.

1:15PM-2:15PM

1 credit towards: Professional Development I Provide Quality Care

<u>Cathy Kovacs and Sherrie Dueno, DSS:</u> ABC Quality is committed to an early care and education system in South Carolina that focuses on building high-quality family child care programs. Learn strategies on how to strengthen your quality for children, families, and community. Explore key areas of quality that make your program shine!

1:15PM-2:15PM
1 credit towards: Curriculum Activities
Gross Motor Development

Taneshia Knox, SC CCR&R: In the exciting session participants will identify ways to support gross motor development inside the classroom and outdoor. You explore ways to include nature, portable play, learning areas and more in planning for gross motor activities as part of the daily schedule. The top ten activities you will develop in this session will support SC Early Learning Standards HPD 2 and 4. Join us to develop a gross motor plan for your classroom.

1:15PM-2:15PM

1 credit towards: Child Guidance Using Pyramid Model Practices in Family Child Care

<u>Joanne Osterland</u>, <u>Pyramid Pieces</u>: This overview of the Pyramid Model will provide participants with an understanding of how their use of Pyramid Model Practices will promote social-emotional development and prevent challenging behaviors of young children. Participants will leave with practical strategies for each level of the Pyramid that will support their work in the Family Child Care setting.

2:30PM-3:30PM

1 credit towards: Program Administration Family Child Care Record-Keeping that Increases Business Success

Darlene Faucette, SC CCR&R: This training is designed to equip family child care providers with the essential skills and knowledge to keep accurate and organized records, which are critical to running a successful business. Participants will learn about different types of records, including financial documents, attendance logs, tax records, and contracts. The session will also cover practical strategies for maintaining these records and utilizing them to assess and improve business performance. By mastering record keeping, participants can ensure compliance with regulations, avoid financial pitfalls, and create a foundation for business growth.

2:30PM-3:30PM

1 credit towards: Program Administration Early Learning Ventures Shared Service Resources

<u>Faith McCaul, ELV</u>: Early Learning Ventures (ELV) is dedicated to expanding access to high-quality child care across the nation. We focus our efforts on building the supply of childcare excellence by making it possible to operate a successful, child care business offering distinguished services to children and families in a strengthened child care market. We do this through our Alliance CORE child care management software and several other shared service-based approaches.

2:30PM-3:30PM

1 credit towards: Curriculum Activities Gardening with Children in Family Child Care Homes

<u>Kimberly Draughn, SC CCR&R</u>: Gardening with children offers a hands-on, multisensory experience that supports their physical, cognitive, and emotional development. This training is designed for family child care providers who want to create or enhance a garden space that is both educational and enjoyable for children. Participants will explore the benefits of gardening, learn how to design and maintain a child-friendly garden, and discover how to integrate gardening into their daily curriculum. Through interactive activities, providers will gain practical skills and resources to inspire a love of nature and healthy living in young children.

2:30PM-3:30PM

1 credit towards: Program Administration Navigating Health Insurance for Caregivers and Small Businesses Owners

<u>Susannah Lee, BCBS</u>: I want to offer an overview of the health insurance options currently available. There are many avenues (large group, small group, ICHRA, and Individual) each with pros and cons. Most small business owners don't realize how many affordable options are available to them.