



Quality Care Connections Quarterly

Professional Development Services for Lane County's Early Learning Workforce

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Hello Lane County Providers and Educators!



What a tremendously challenging year it has been. First, we faced a world-wide pandemic and then devastating wildfires tore through our state. The staff at Quality Care Connections sincerely hope that all of you are healthy and safe, and your homes and businesses have not been impacted by the fires. Please reach out to us if you need support and resources. Like all of you, we are caregivers at heart and want to help.

The start of the school year is now upon us. And, whether you have school-age children of your own, or provide care for school-agers, nothing about this fall is normal or routine! We have included resources in this newsletter to help you navigate these circumstances. Be sure to review the training calendar and register for classes. We have some great online professional development opportunities scheduled for the next few months.

Please call or email us at any time! We are continuing to work from home, but are available to take your calls and respond to emails. Please note that our fall schedule is now in place and most of us are back to working Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Quality Care Connections' Staff Highlight

To help our Lane providers and early educators get to know the staff at QCC better, we will be putting the spotlight on a different staff member each term. For this newsletter, we are highlighting Debra Dreiling, who has returned to QCC after working in another department for three years. We are thrilled to have Debra back!

Hello Everyone!

My name is Debra Dreiling. I have spent 28 years working in the field of Child and Family Education in our local community. This experience includes teaching young children and adults, home visiting, supervisor for in-home providers, director, and program management.



Some of the programs that I have worked in include EWEB CDC, Unity, Head Start, and the Relief Nursery. I may have worked with many of you previously in my previous roles at Family Connections from 2013-2017. I am looking forward to reconnecting and supporting providers through the COVID 19 pandemic and beyond.

Quick Look: Fall 2020 Trainings

For support in registration, please contact us via email at qualitycareconnections@lanecc.edu or call 541-463-3300. For more information and full class descriptions, click below for the Training Bulletin.

Click here for our full Fall 2020
Training Bulletin



QCC Webinars

Enhance your Professionalism as a Business Owner

- Tuesday, October 13, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
- Set One in PM; \$10.00

Translating Tantrums

- Thursday, October 16, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Set One in UGB; \$10.00

Nurturing Creativity

- Saturday, October 24, 9 a.m.- 12 p.m.
- Set Two in LEC; \$20.00

Confidentiality - Ethics in Action

- Saturday, November 14, 9 a.m.- 12 p.m.
- Set Two in PM and PPLD; \$20.00

Building Resilience in Challenging Times through Trauma-Informed Practices

- Offered by Early Childhood CARES
- Wednesday, November 18, 6-8 p.m.
- Set One in HSN; Free

Applying Principles of Respect

- Thursday, November 19, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in PM; \$20.00

Nurturing Wonder

- Thursday, December 3, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in HGD; \$10.00

Professional Development with the Oregon Registry

- Tuesday, December 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Set One in PPLD; \$10.00

Discovering the 40 Developmental Assets

- Thursday, December 10, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Set One in HGD; \$10.00

Tough Talks: Effective Communication with Parents

- Monday, December 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Set One in FCS; \$10.00



Statewide Webinars

Developing and Applying Intensive Sanitizing Practices

- Wednesday, October 7, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in HSN; \$20.00

Exploring the Foundations of Handwriting

- Tuesday, October 13, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in HGD; \$20.00

Creating an Inclusive Classroom that Celebrates All of our Children

- Monday, October 19, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in LEC and SN; \$20.00

Evaluating Time Management In and Out of the Classroom

- Tuesday, October 27, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in PPLD; \$20.00

Designing and Evaluation of Effective Pre-Writing Strategies for Preschoolers

- Tuesday, November 3, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Three in LEC; \$20.00

Effective Communication with Families Before, During, and After Emergencies

- Thursday, November 12, 6-8 p.m.
- Set Two in FCS; \$15.00

Fostering Anti-Racism in Children

- Tuesday, November 17, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in DIV; \$20.00

Help! Caregiver in Distress

- Tuesday, December 1, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in PPLD; \$20.00

Implementing your Philosophy Throughout your Child Care

- Thursday, December 3, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in PM; \$20.00

Dollar Store Science and Engineering for the EC Classroom

- Wednesday, December 9, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in LEC and SN; \$20.00

Observing, Screening, and Assessing in your Classroom in Culturally Sensitive Ways that Engage Parents

- Monday, December 14, 6-9 p.m.
- Set Two in OA; \$20.00

[Click here for Core Knowledge Categories and Definitions](#)

CPR/First Aid Training

Online-only CPR/First Aid training will be accepted through July 2021 for both new and renewing providers. Quality Care Connections can arrange

Online Safety Set Courses

The required online safety set classes are offered free by the Oregon Center for Career Development and the Early Learning Division. Click [here](#) for a

for your online CPR/First Aid training through Medic First Aid. The cost of this class is now \$15.

Safety Set Flier from the Office of Child Care and [here](#) to access and register for these classes.

For more information from the Office of Child Care regarding CPR/First Aid training options, click [here](#).

Introduction to Registered Family Child Care

Part One Required Online Course

Register and attend training here: <http://campus.educadium.com/OCCD/>

Part Two Required Webinar

Tuesday, November 10, 6-9 p.m.

Note:

You must attend the online Part One online class **before** registering for the Part Two webinar.



- Recognizing/Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect
- Introduction to Child Care Health and Safety
- Prevention is Better Than Treatment
- Safe Sleep
- Food Handler Certification

DHS Child Care Orientation

DHS Orientation Webinar

Tuesday, October 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

This class helps you understand the Department of Human Services listing and billing process and how to become eligible for the Enhanced Rate.

Note:

If you are unable to attend the DHS Orientation listed below, please call QCC. A one-on-one class may be scheduled to meet your needs.

Other Professional Development Opportunities

FREE Oregon Registry Webinars

On the first Thursday of each month, from 12-1 p.m., the Oregon Registry will offer a FREE one-hour webinar training for Early Learning Professionals for an entire year! Join one or all of the sessions for one-hour of PPLD training.

Fall Term Webinars

October 1: Oregon Registry Online (ORO)
November 5: Oregon Registry Steps Document
December 3: Professional Development Statement (PDS)

RSVP here: <https://forms.gle/uSAscdnuNSFdKUKf9>
For a flyer, click [here](#).



Stronger Together ORAEYC Online Community Conference October 9-17, 2020



The 2020 Stronger Together conference brings the early childhood education community together, promoting advocacy, collaboration, and professional development. Our belief is that drawing on the strengths of our organizations, programs, and individual educators is the best path to a brighter future for our children.

A majority of the sessions are Set Two and Set Three level training. Starting October 9th, you will be able to pick and choose from over 35 offerings, with the potential for over 50 hours of professional development!

Scholarships and Financial Assistance are available!!

For full details about the virtual conference and how the sessions will work, visit <https://www.oraeyc.org/fall-conference-2020>

New Health and Safety Guidelines for Child Care

On August 14, the Early Learning Division, in partnership with the Oregon Health Authority, released the

new "Health and Safety Guidelines for Child Care and Early Education Operating in COVID-19." The updated guidelines take effect Tuesday, September 1, 2020... [Click here to keep reading.](#)

Click on the buttons below to take you directly to the listed resource.

New Health and Safety Guidelines

Video: Intro to Health & Safety Guidelines

Video: Cleaning and Building Maintenance

Overview of Guidance Changes

Video: Guidelines Overview

For additional videos, [Click Here](#)

Covid-19 Safety Plan and Optional Template

Each child care facility is required to create a written COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan to ensure safe operations and help reduce the transmission of COVID-19. The COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan developed for each child care facility should be tailored to each facility's unique needs and should be created in consultation with the Guidelines.

The Early Learning Division has developed a template you can use to create your safety plan. The plan must be provided to families in a manner they can understand by Friday, November 9, 2020. You do not need to send the plan to ELD unless requested...[Click here to keep reading.](#)

Click on the buttons below to take you directly to the listed resource.

Template in Microsoft Word

Template in a Printable PDF Format

Video: Health & Safety Plan Template Tutorial

For questions regarding Covid-19 Health and Safety Guidelines, email providercontact@state.or.us

Emergency Supplies

The Early Learning Division (ELD) wants to help ensure child care providers have personal protective equipment (PPE) for safe operations during the COVID-19 pandemic. You can now receive a free order of supplies by applying through the state's website. To learn about eligibility requirements and the ordering and shipping processes, or to place an order, click on the links below.



Emergency Supply Ordering Information

Emergency Supply Order FAQ's

Emergency Supply Order Website

Distance Learning and DHS

DHS recently shared information with providers about billing DHS for helping children with distance learning. Here is the guidance that was provided:

- If you are providing child care to students doing their schooling through distance learning, including remote, virtual or online school work, you can bill DHS.
- Families may also choose to use child care if their child is not going to in-person schooling due to COVID-19 medical or health reasons.
- As a provider, you can bill DHS for helping children with distance learning. For example, you may help a child log in online, contact a teacher, develop schedules to support a child's distance learning and assist with completion of school work. You may not bill when you provide educational services, such as tutoring or instruction or for the cost of tuition; you may only bill for hours of child care provided.
- If you choose to increase your rates based on providing educational instruction, you will need to



bill the family who would be responsible for that cost.

For more information on temporary Covid-19 related changes, visit Employment Related Day Care page on the DHS website [here](#). To contact the DHS Direct Pay Unit call 1-800-699-9074 or send an email to customerservice.dpu@dhsosha.state.or.us

[Click here to learn how to become a DHS Listed Provider](#)

[Click here to see the DHS Child Care Rates for your zipcode](#)

Resources and Supports

Covid Back-to-School Checklist

Family Forward Action is an advocacy group that supports mothers and other caregivers. They have created a great list of resources and information for families impacted by the pandemic and/or wildfires, including:

- Oregon's family & medical leave policies
- Unemployment assistance options
- Child care resources, from finding it to affording it
- Support for working part-time
- Rent and food assistance
- Legal action for workplace discrimination
- Financial support for undocumented workers

[Back-to-School Checklist](#)

Wildfire Resources and FAQ's

The wildfires in Oregon have devastated so many families and business as well as our beautiful state. Please take a moment to review these resources and share them anyone you may know that has been impacted.

[2020 Oregon Wildfire Response and Recovery Resources](#)

[Wildfire Resources and FAQ's for Providers](#)

[Emotional Support During Fire Season and a Pandemic](#)

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Coronavirus Updates

Click the links below to get the latest news, data, and information from the Oregon Health Authority about Covid-19 in Oregon and Lane County.

[OHA Covid-19 Website](#)

[Covid-19 Weekly Report](#)

Community Aligned Resources for Eugene and Springfield (CARES)

CARES offers food, home goods, toiletries, and other supplies for people who experience a disability, families who have a child with a disability, as well as other people in our community.

Click the button below to learn more.

[CARES Flyer](#)

Lane Community College Dreams Fund

LCC announces the availability of small supplementary assistance funds to provide financial support to students who do not qualify for Federal Financial Aid, with a focus on DACA /Dreamer /undocumented students. These funds come from different sources, such as private donations and grants, including: Esperanza Fund, Puertas Abiertas CTE Fund, Career Pathways, ESL Scholarship Fund, IME-Mexican Consulate.



The funds are primarily to support: Tuition/Fees, Books, Overdue payments/bills, and Educational supplies. To learn more about the LCC Dreams Fund requirements and to apply, please go to LCC Dreams Fund [here](#).

From Early Childhood Cares

Early Childhood CARES Offers Resource-Rich Video Collection

Since the state mandate to close schools in mid-March, we at Early Childhood CARES have been working hard to identify the best ways to support families virtually. One project we've taken on is to create our Parent Coffee Chats resource video series for families. These 20-minute videos are available on our website at earlychildhoodcares.uoregon.edu/for-teachers/, as well as on Facebook and YouTube. We plan to continue adding videos throughout the fall, so check back for the latest updates. You can also subscribe to our YouTube channel [here](#).

Early Childhood CARES Parent Coffee Chat Video Links:

- [Potty training tips](#) with Kathy McGrew, EI/ECSE Specialist with Early Childhood CARES
- [Self-Care for Parents](#) with Britni D'Eliso, behavioral health strategist with PacificSource
- [Perinatal Mental Health Supports](#), with Emily Little, executive director of WellMama
- [Fun at-home Summer Activities](#) with your Preschooler, with Amelia Reising, founder and director of Adventure! Children's Museum

Early Childhood CARES provides free early intervention and early childhood special education services for Lane County children from birth to kindergarten. To make a referral, call 541-346-2578.

Help Wanted Ads



Early Childhood CARES is seeking teaching assistants to support classrooms including children with developmental delays and disabilities.

Temporary positions, including substitute work, are available by sending your resume and 3 references (including professional references) to jetaylor@uoregon.edu or calling Jeanine at 541-735-1766.

Permanent benefited positions are posted intermittently on the UO website: <http://careers.uoregon.edu/cw/en-us/listing/>.

Pay range is \$13.44 to \$18.28 based on experience.



Treetop Academics, an after-school enrichment and certified childcare program in the Eugene 4j School District, is hiring teachers for the Fall 2020 school year. There are currently three part- and full-time openings available. Pay range is \$13.00-\$16.50/hr DOE + benefits.

To apply for a job with Treetop Academics L.L.C., all applicants must complete and submit an employment application, resume and cover letter to Executive Director Jason Aulicino at Jason@TreetopAcademics.com to be considered for a position.

For an employment application and to learn more about Treetop Academics, please visit our website: www.Treetopacademics.com.

Click [here](#) for a full job description.

