

Training Opportunities for Early Childhood Providers

June 2021 Calendar



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Date	Training Title	Time & Address	Audience & Course Description	Registration CDA Area & Fee
June				
Tuesday, 6/8/2021- Tuesday, 6/22/2021	Tom Copeland Book Club: Family Child Care Contracts and Policies Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Siemens	6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Three meetings will take place for group discussion, June 8th, 15th and 22nd. Participants are asked to attend all three discussions for full credit hours. Limited to 10 participants Zoom	All Providers This course will be designed for beginner to intermediate providers to help with establishing businesslike relationships through their contract and policies. We will also discuss the tough decisions while enforcing agreements and ending contracts with parents. Discussion will review Tom Copeland's book "Family Child Care: Contracts & Policies" as well as submitting completed worksheets for participation credit.	Contact Stephanie Siemens , at StephanieS@ywcawil.org to register. CDA: 5 & 6 FREE Deadline: Register by June 1st to receive the book.
Tuesday, 6/8/2021	What is CCAP? Introductory Presenters: Flora Sago and Tina Haynes	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM Zoom	Center Providers This training reviews the Illinois Department of Human Service (IDHS) Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP). The IDHS CCAP helps pay for child care expenses for income-eligible families who work or participate in eligible activities. This training describes CCAP eligibility guidelines and application requirements for families and child care centers. Payment determination and options for receiving payment are also explained along with additional information for both CCAP providers and families.	Register here CDA: 5 FREE
Wednesday, 6/9/2021	Should I Become Licensed? Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Siemens	6:00 PM to 7:00 PM GoToWebinar This is an informational meeting, no certificate awarded.	LE Providers Learn the benefits and necessary steps involved in becoming a Licensed Family Child Care Provider. Providers will be guided through each step of the process in preparation for the DCFS home visit and completing the licensing application	Register here CDA: 5 FREE

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Wednesday, 6/9/2021	Let's Get Active Introductory Presenter: Kelly McNeal	6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Recording GoToWebinar	All Providers This training takes a look at what an active lifestyle is and why it's important to stay active. It will also explore what role you as the child care provider plays in a child's healthy habits.	Register here CDA: 5 FREE
Thursday, 6/10/2021	Trust...In a World of Uncertainty Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Koclanis	6:00 PM to 7:00 PM GoToWebinar	All Providers Trust is an inside job. In this time of constant change and many unknowns, we tend to put faith in the outside world (and in others) to give us the correct information and answers. In essence, we are trusting external forces over ourselves. In this training, you will gain strategies to build trust/belief in yourself so you feel more in control of your thoughts and emotions...and of your life. We will also explore the many benefits of self-belief. Pen and paper/journal encouraged for periodic self-reflection.	Register here CDA: 2, 3 & 6 FREE
Thursday, 6/10/2021	Ready, Set, ROLL into Summer Science Fun! Introductory Presenter: Jodi York	6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Zoom	All Providers The best part about summer temps is that you can take your curriculum and messy science experiments outside. These summer science experiments and STEM activities will make learning fun this summer! From simple science experiments to STEM investigations, these summer themed science activities are sure to be a hit with your kids. They will have a blast exploring science this summer!	Register here CDA: 2, 3 & 8 FREE
Tuesday, 6/15/2021	Virtual Storytime Introductory Presenter: Kelly McNeal	10:30 AM to 11:00 AM YWCA Facebook Live	Providers/Parents/Kids Gather up the kids and enjoy a story read by Kelly, YWCA of Northwestern Illinois staff member and Community Systems Specialist! #YWKelly	No registration required, watch our Event page on Facebook (@YWCANWIL)

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Thursday, 6/17/2021	Free Information Meeting: Building the Framework for Your Child Care Business Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Siemens	6:00 PM to 7:00 PM GoToWebinar This is an informational meeting, no certificate awarded.	LE Providers Looking to start your career as a Licensed Family Child Care Provider? If so, this is the place to start. Learn what it takes to bring your business to the next level. You will be able to interact with a staff member from the YWCA as you learn about getting started, contracts, food programs, and other resources available to you through the YWCA.	Register here CDA: 7 FREE
Saturday, 6/26/2021	Growing Up WILD! Intermediate Presenter: Kelly McNeal	9:00 AM to 10:30 AM Zoom	All Providers Growing Up Wild is an early childhood education activity guide that builds on children's sense of wonder about nature and invites them to explore wildlife. Through a wide range of activities and experiences, this training provides a foundation for developing positive impressions about nature while also building lifelong social and cognitive skills.	Contact Kelly McNeal , at KellyM@ywcawil.org to register. Limited to 5 participants CDA: 2 FREE
Tuesday, 6/29/2021	Scribbles and Giggles: Exploring Pre-writing Skills Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Koclanis	6:00 PM to 7:00 PM GoToWebinar	All Providers Children's experiences with scribbling and creating marks is an important avenue for self-expression in early childhood. In this training, providers will learn the developmental progression from mark making, scribbling, and drawing as a precursor to writing and literacy. Activities will be shown to build upon these skills as well.	Register here CDA: 2 & 5 FREE



Child Care Solutions Quality Specialist

Responsible for increasing the quality of care in child care settings, with a focus on high need children first. In addition, providing training, technical assistance, consultation and resources to child care providers to assist them in achieving/maintaining an ExceleRate Illinois Circle of Quality.

Requires: Bachelor degree in child development or related field. Additionally, must have a minimum of 2 years paid experience working in a child care setting.

Child Care Solutions Training and Technical Assistance Coordinator

Responsible for coordinating and/or delivering training opportunities for our Service Delivery Area and provide technical assistance to child care practitioners.

Requires: Bachelor degree in child development or related field. Additionally, must have knowledge of childcare and childcare practices.

To apply for either of these openings

Contact the Workplace at 815-961-0400

IDHS Required Health and Safety Trainings

For License Exempt Providers

One-time trainings:	Format:	How to Access:
CPR/First Aid	Hybrid (Online/In-person) and Traditional (In-person)	<p>Approved CPR providers:</p> <p>American Heart Association; American Safety & Health Institute(ASHI); American Red Cross; American Trauma Event Management (ATEM); Emergency Care and Safety Institute (ECSI; Edward Atkinson/Emergency Response Health Network; Ellis & Associates, Inc.-Orlando, FL; EMS Safety Services; MEDIC FIRST AID; National Safety Council; Pro-Trainings, LLC; R.H. Sanders & Associates/Titan CPR Associates</p> <p><i>*Contact CPR entities directly for time/dates of trainings</i></p>
Child Abuse and Neglect/Mandated Reporter Training	Online	<p>Link:</p> <p><u>Illinois Mandated Reporter Training (dcfsttraining.org)</u></p>

Yearly Trainings:	Format:	How to Access:
Child Development, Health & Safety Requirement: Six (6) hours	<p>Online through Illinois Gateways i-Learning system</p> <p>YWCA Northwestern Illinois CCR&R</p>	<p>Link to Illinois Gateways i-Learning: <u>system at https://courses.inccrra.org</u></p> <p>Link to Training Calendar: <u>https://www.ywcanwil.org/training-professional-development/</u></p>

See the below training opportunity sponsored by Caregiver Connections!

Circle of Security® Provider Virtual Training

A Relationship-Based Provider Program

Who: Providers of young children, ages birth to 5

When: 12:30-1:30pm

(June 2nd, June 9th)

This will be a virtual training

Please Email **Mary Kelley** if you are interested in registering for the training. Please include your Name and Gateway's ID number in the email.

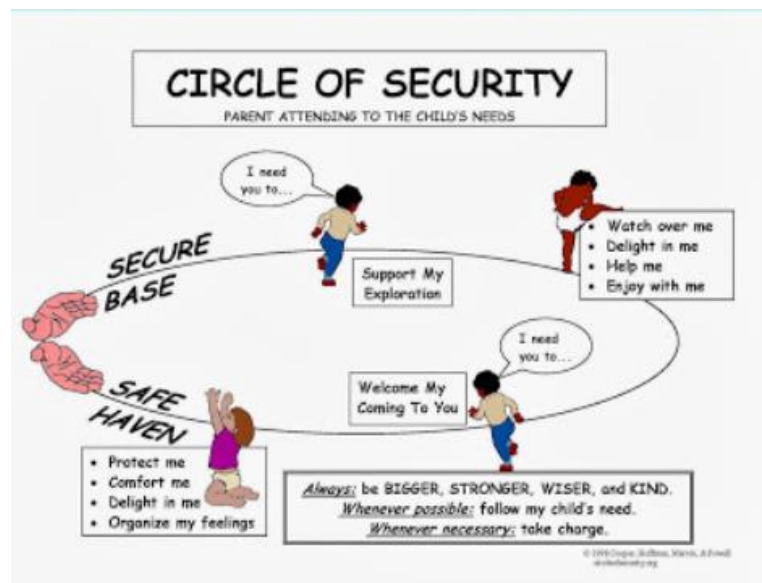
mkelley@ysnkids.com

(Registration is limited to 20 participants)

Facilitated by Mary E. Kelley, LCPC, I/ECMH-C and Molly Dunn-Steinke, M.S. Ed, LPC, I/ECMH-C

What is this training about?

Did you know all children come with an instruction manual? Based on more than 50 years of research, this training will make it clear that your child *is* the instruction manual. In this training, you will learn how to read the 'manual'. We'll show you various ways you can observe each child's cues and effectively read the instructions your child is offering you. Once you better understand what you are seeing, you will be able to talk about what you are doing and not yet doing to give your child the security needed to have a stronger relationship with you. This sense of security will help your child succeed in school and gain a higher self-esteem.



ADDITIONAL ONLINE TRAININGS:

All Gateways approved trainings can be found at <https://courses.inccrra.org>.

You must be a Gateways Member to take the courses, become a member [here](#)

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

Social-Emotional Learning Should Be Priority During COVID-19 Crisis: [link](#)

Imagination Library: [link](#)

Summer Activities: [link](#)

Summer Reading List: [link](#)

Summer Zoo Camps: [link](#)

****CPR****

In-person CPR at the YWCA is suspended at this time. DHS has approved hybrid CPR classes that are offered online/in-person. We encourage you to refer to the below list of approved entities for course offerings related to initial certification and renewals. You will need to follow up with the individual entities to find course offerings and times. If you have further questions, please follow up with your DCFS Representative.

List of approved CPR providers (Effective June 4th, 2020):

1. American Heart Association
2. American Safety & Health Institute(ASHI)
3. American Red Cross
4. American Trauma Event Management (ATEM)
5. Emergency Care and Safety Institute (ECSI)
6. Edward Atkinson/Emergency Response Health Network
7. Ellis & Associates, Inc.-Orlando, FL
8. EMS Safety Services
9. MEDIC FIRST AID
10. National Safety Council
11. Pro-Trainings, LLC
12. R.H. Sanders & Associates

YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions

Provider Services

How can we help YOU?

Amy Ritter– *Front Desk Receptionist*

- Assists with annual child care program updates
- Provides customized child care referral lists, upon request

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Jennifer Betts –*Data Specialist*

- Registers participants for training opportunities
- Assists providers with completing and reporting the IDHS CCAP training requirements
- Offers assistance with referral and retention as well as technical assistance and various training topics
- Coordinates annual child care program updates

Extension:
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[Email Jennifer](#)

Andrea Capriotti– *Training & Technical Assistance Coordinator*

- Creates and manages the quarterly training calendar for ongoing professional development
- Manages and processes applications for CPR/First Aid Reimbursement and Professional Development Funds.
- Offers technical assistance regarding Gateways Registry membership, online trainings, credentials and accreditations, and various training related information

Extension:
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[Email Andrea](#)

Kelly McNeal – *Community Systems Development & Referral Specialist*

- Works and connects with programs and services across health, early care and education, family support, and social services
- Coordinates community outreach and collaborations
- Provides customized child care referral lists upon request

Extension:
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[Email Kelly](#)

Stephanie Siemens– *Recruitment, Retention, & Referral Specialist*

- Meets with area schools and organizations to explain career paths with early childhood education
- Provides customized child care referral lists, upon request
- Offers in-depth information on starting a child care business, including on-site visits
- Maintains provider referral database and updates vacancies
- Assists with annual child care program updates

Extension:
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[Email Stephanie](#)

Stephanie Koclanis – *Quality Improvement Funds Specialist*

- Responsible for the promotion, technical assistance, receiving, processing, and awarding of funds for Quality Improvement Cohort, LE Health and Safety Improvement Funds Grant, Training Stipends, and Accreditation Assistance applications.

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[Email Stephanie](#)

Training Policies and Procedures

The following training policies and procedures apply to all YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions sponsored workshops and conferences.

Registration

- The training calendar indicates how to register for a workshop/series. *Please note, not all trainings offered have registrations through YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions.
- Pre-registration is required for all trainings.
- Typically, class size is limited. When class maximum has been met, registration will be closed.
- Participants are registered on a first come, first serve basis.
- Registration forms for YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions sponsored trainings can be found in the monthly training calendar and/or online at www.ywcanwil.org.
- Registration forms for all YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions sponsored trainings are accepted via mail or office walk-in only. Faxed registrations are accepted for non-fee trainings only.
- Registration closes 7 days prior to the scheduled training date.
- Payment must accompany the registration form for any training that has a fee. The registration request will not be processed if the fee is not included with the registration form.
- Upon receipt of a completed registration form and payment (if applicable), a copy will be sent to the provider confirming status of registration.
- Walk-ins are discouraged and may not be allowed admittance.

Training Participation

- Late arrivals—a 15 minute Grace Period will be given at all training sessions (including virtual trainings). This grace period begins at the advertised start time. Participants will not be allowed in after the 15-minute grace period.
- Early departures will not receive a training certificate; participants must stay until the training is finished.
- At the discretion of the trainer—if an attendee is considered to be disruptive in behavior, he/she may be asked to leave the training and will not receive a certificate or refund (if there was a fee).
- Adult learners' only; Children are not to be in attendance at training sessions.

Fees, Refunds, & Cancellations

- If YWCA Child Care Solutions cancels a workshop/series due to low enrollment all participants that registered will be contacted by phone or email no later than two days prior to the session and a refund will be processed, as applicable.
- If unforeseen circumstances occur, including but not limited to inclement weather, presenter cancellation/illness, or power outage, registrants will be notified as soon as possible. Every effort will be made to contact each provider via phone call or email.
- A participant may cancel a class for which they are registered up to 5 business days prior to the scheduled date to receive a refund. If it is 4 business days or less before the class is to be held, no refunds will be given nor will substitutions be made.
- Pre-registration fees are non-refundable for no-show registrants.

Certificates

- A certificate of attendance will be distributed at the end of each workshop/ or conclusion of a series.
- To receive a training certificate, participants must stay until the training is finished.
- Replacement certificates must be issued at the request of an individual participant. A processing fee of \$5.00 will be charged and the certificate will be held until payment is made.
- Certificates are only to be released to the individual who participated at the training.

Virtual Learning

- Please utilize a webcam to maximize the relationship and connection between trainer and participants
- Attendance, participation and interaction with trainer is required and will be verified through virtual platform
- Your safety and attention must be verified: No driving, shopping, etc. while participating in training
- Must complete evaluation form after each training, before certificate can be issued