

NYS Child Care Provider Training Resources



Office of Children
and Family Services

from the Professional Development Program/ECETP

Training Resources available to NYS Child Care providers

Caring for children is a rewarding and demanding profession. High-quality training is essential to protecting children's health and safety as well as promoting their growth and development. Regulation requires 30 hours of training in specific topics every two years. This tip sheet provides information about some professional development resources to help you meet your training milestones. To learn more about each resource, visit the link after each description.

For more information about child care training and professional development requirements for licensed/registered programs, visit: ocfs.ny.gov/programs/childcare/training/

Educational Incentive Program (EIP)

EIP provides scholarships to help income-eligible child care providers pay for training and educational activities that build provider knowledge and skills. To be eligible for EIP, child care providers must be required to take training and must be caring for children in a program regulated by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (NYS OCFS) or the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (NYC DOHMH). For more information on EIP, visit:

<https://bit.ly/PDP-EIP>

On-Demand

On-Demand training provides 24/7 access to a selection of previously recorded webcasts and current eLearning courses and are led by an approved On-Demand trainer. Successful completion requires the participant to pass a post-test and sign an attestation declaring they have fully completed the training. A variety of courses are available in English and Spanish.

<https://bit.ly/PDP-OnDemand>

eLearning

eLearning courses teach via narration, interactions, and video. Courses are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Once registered, users will have 30 days to complete a course. Successful completion requires the participant to pass a post-test and sign an attestation declaring they have fully completed the training. A variety of courses are available in English, Spanish, and Chinese.

<https://bit.ly/PDP-eLearn>

Virtual Class

Virtual Classes offer interactive online training on a variety of early childhood education topics. Classes are instructor-led and feature video, interactive discussion, activities and resources. Participants interact directly with other child care providers to share ideas and best practices. Successful completion requires the participant to pass a post-test and sign an attestation declaring they have fully completed the training. A variety of courses are available in English and Spanish.

<https://bit.ly/PDP-VirtualClass>

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Health and Safety Training

Caring for children is a big responsibility. The health and safety of children in care is the highest priority for both the provider and OCFS. To ensure that they are prepared for this responsibility, new providers complete OCFS-approved health and safety training tailored to their type of care: Family or Group Family Day Care Providers; Day Care Center and School-Age Child Care Program Staff; or Day Care Center, School-Age Child Care and Enrolled Legally Exempt Group Program Directors.

<https://bit.ly/PDP-HealthSafety>

Medication Administration Training (MAT)

Some children need to receive medication while in the child care program. Providers can become OCFS-certified to safely administer medication, providing a valuable service to families and promoting children's health.

<https://bit.ly/PDP-MAT>

MAT Scholarship Program

The MAT Scholarship Program helps child care providers pay for the cost of taking an OCFS-approved MAT course.

<https://bit.ly/PDP-MAT-Scholarship>

ECETP Data Transfer

OCFS and ECETP implemented a training certificate data transfer that makes it easier to track and report your ECETP training completions just by updating your ECETP profile. Learn more by watching videos in the "Featured Videos" section of the ECETP website:

<https://bit.ly/PDP-ECETP>



If you have recently applied for fingerprinting or have changed child care programs, update your facility information in your profile on the ECETP website today.

Latest News

Check the "Latest News" section of the ECETP website regularly for valuable information about new ECETP training opportunities; updates to OCFS regulations, policies and forms; recalls from the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and much more.

<https://bit.ly/PDP-News>

Distance Learning Training

Providers can find a variety of OCFS approved distance learning training opportunities on the Distance Learning Courses page of the ECETP website.

<https://bit.ly/PDP-DistanceLearning>