Congratulations...

Eight Prince George’s child care programs have published their EXCELS rating. Congratulations to Angel’s Place Family Day Care (1); Creative Minds Family Child Care (2); Zootastic Adventures for Little People (2); Dee’s Family Day Care (5); Greenbelt Children’s Center (5); NASA Goddard Child Development Center (5); Sunshine Bi-lingual Family Daycare (5) and Young Care Family Child Care (5).

Don’t Wait! Participate!

Excellence Counts in Early Learning and School Age Child Care! Maryland’s new quality rating system opened to all licensed programs on July 1 and identifies quality child care. Checkmarks are awarded for meeting standards and programs are placed in one of five levels accordingly. Families seeking child care can visit marylandexcels.org to view the quality rating of providers. Bonuses, grants and other funding opportunities will be available to participating programs, including full bonuses through the Maryland Child Care Credential program. Participation will soon become a requirement for providers accepting the child care subsidy.

Ready to get started? We can help!

We offer technical assistance and professional development opportunities to move you up the EXCELS ladder.

Don’t miss out!

Our workshops are educational and FUN! Everyone spruced up a potato in Good For You Fun Food in July. Browse dozens of workshops inside!

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On a fine evening in May, friends of the Resource Center gathered at Prince George’s Stadium in Bowie to enjoy dinner and a baseball game between the Baysox and the New Briton Rock Cats. Board members, staff, program participants, child care providers and supporters of all ages helped us celebrate another successful year serving Prince George’s County, with Marcus A. Smith, Sr., of M&T Bank throwing the first pitch. We were especially pleased to honor Stephen C. Hosea, Esq., and everyone at McNamee Hosea for the generosity and support provided to our programs. THANK YOU!

Family Support Center program participant Marta Lopez attended with her family (pictured above with son Justin) and shared her journey. Thanks to the Resource Center, she has progressed from a third-grade education to a confident leader well on her way to earning her GED! Congratulations.

The Adelphi/Langley Park Family Support Center’s 2013 graduation was a celebration of cultures! Saba Asres and her daughter, left, wear their native Eritrean clothing and shared about their home country.

Below, families are having fun at Wolf Trap Center for the Performing Arts in Virginia. They were also treated to a field trip to Gunpowder Falls State Park. Everyone had a great time picnicking, swimming, playing and visiting with friends.

Please consider supporting our programs with a financial gift. Donate online at childresource.org

THANK YOU!

Prince George’s Child Resource Center helps create healthy and nurturing environments for children by supporting their families and educating their caregivers.
### 24 HOUR FAMILY PRE-SERVICE

This training meets the Office of Child Care pre-service training requirements for new family child care providers as well as core of knowledge training for currently licensed family providers and center staff. **Fee:** $40 per individual 4-hour session **$225 – 24 hour series that includes all six 4-hour sessions.**

**November 12 & January 14**
**Tue., 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**
  - Fee: $40 members, $50 non-members
  - Trainer: Laura Terrell

Participants will receive an overview of leading child theorists, learning differences among children and the stages of child growth and development.

**November 12 & January 14**
**Tue., 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**
**Module 2: Planning for Success! Creating Opportunities to Grow and Learn, CUR**
  - Fee: $40 members, $50 non-members
  - Trainer: Jodi Regner

Understand the components of a family child care curriculum and how to design a family child care home; includes child care center room design and an appropriate curriculum in group child care.

**November 13 & January 15**
**Wed., 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**
**Module 3: Keeping Kids Fit and Safe, HSN**
  - Fee: $40 members, $50 non-members
  - Trainer: Pamela Hamlin

This workshop includes emergency preparedness, menu planning and health and safety concerns of young children.

**November 13 & January 15**
**Wed., 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**
**Module 4: Making it Work for All: Exploring Special Needs**
  - Fee: $40 members, $50 non-members
  - Trainer: Paul Armstrong

Explore ADA requirements and inclusive child care settings as well as health, behavioral and developmental concerns.

**November 14 & January 16**
**Thur., 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**
**Module 5: Keeping it Real! Professional Practices for a Successful Program, PRO**
  - Fee: $40 members, $50 non-members
  - Trainer: Laura Terrell

This session includes professional business practices, policies and procedures, record keeping, OCC regulations, and appropriate guidance and supervision of young children.

**November 14 & January 16**
**Thur., 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**
**Module 6: Planting the Seed: Developing Connections with the World Around Us, COM**
  - Fee: $40 members, $50 non-members
  - Trainer: Shantiea Barnes

This module provides an over-view of the importance of developing and maintaining relationships with children, families and the larger community.

### THE LOCATE COMPLAINT POLICY

Categorizes complaints according to the perceived seriousness of the complaint: serious complaints (any threat to the immediate health, safety or welfare of a child); less serious complaints involving a violation (violation of regulation that does not pose a threat to the health, safety or welfare of a child), and less serious complaints with no violation. When a serious complaints is received, no referrals are made to that provider/facility until an investigation is completed by the appropriate regulatory agency. Should the investigation result in no finding, the “hold” status is removed from the providers files and referrals are resumed.

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:

This training will provide vital information, workbooks and materials. Each participant must attend the entire session and develop an individual emergency preparedness plan prior to receiving an MSDE training certificate. **3 HSN, 3 PRO (Intermediate)**

**Trainer:** Deanna Tobin, Chesapeake College

**Fee:** $15 members and non-members

**November 16 or January 11.................................9:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.**

### MARYLAND MODEL FOR SCHOOL READINESS 2013

Maryland Model for School Readiness (MMSR) has been revised and updated to better reflect the child care providers, children and families of today’s early care and education communities. The training has been streamlined to consist of five, six hour modules – 30 hours of training. The new training modules use real-life and imagined scenarios to help child care providers learn to analyze family situations, distinguish between observations and judgments, and apply new information to devise a plan for responsive child care.

**You should take MMSR 2013 training if you:**
- Have never taken MMSR training before or if you started but did not complete the 54 hour MMSR.
- Took the 54 hour MMSR and never implemented it in your classroom or program.
- Took MMSR more than 5 years ago.
- Are curious about the new training and would like to know more about the key MMSR 2013 concepts.
- Need 30 core of knowledge clock hours of high quality training that will assist you in the important work you do with children every day.

**Dates:**
- **Saturday, October 19, 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
- **Saturday, November 23, 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
- **Tuesday, December 10 and Thursday, December 12, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.**
- **Tuesday, January 7 and Wednesday, January 8, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.**
- **Saturday, February 1, 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

**Trainers:** Jodi Regner and Laura Terrell

**Fee:** $150 members and non-members

### ACCREDITATION ORIENTATION:

MSDE will present an “Orientation to Accreditation” session at the Resource Center. Find out what you need to do to move your program forward. Register with Valerie at extension 1000. **This session is free!**

**Thursday, December 5 - 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**
**CHILD DEVELOPMENT**

**OCTOBER**

**Oct. 1, Tue., 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.**
Boosting Self Esteem, CD (Intermediate)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Paul Armstrong

Positive self-esteem is a key component of emotional health. Participants will identify how children develop a sense of self as well as strategies for promoting positive social and emotional health and self-esteem.

**Nov. 5, Tue., 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.**
Helping Children Deal With Separation and Loss, CD (Intermediate)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Eileen Brooks

Children need support from their family and community when dealing with separation and loss. Come and learn the different types of loss and separation that young children may experience and how you can be supportive during periods of separation from family and loved ones and throughout the grieving process.

**Nov. 26, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.**
See How They Grow! Helping Parents Understand What Their Child is Learning, CD, (All Levels)

- Fee: $25 members, $35 non-members
- Trainer: Shantiea Barnes

It’s true—parents may struggle to understand how their child is developing in your program. Learn how to communicate how you are supporting development through displays, photos, conferences, parents involvement opportunities, observations and more!

**DECEMBER**

**Dec. 10, Tue., 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.**
Fun with Feelings, CD, (Intermediate)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Alyson Jacobson

According to a survey of kindergarten teachers, skills related to Social Emotional Development were ranked as more essential to kindergarten readiness than learning to count or knowing the alphabet. Participants in this workshop will learn a variety of ways to teach children these essential skills and give every child the skills they need to succeed in school.

**Jan. 14, Tue., 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.**
Setting Limits and Ending Challenges, CD (Intermediate)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Alyson Jacobson

Learn to say “No!” without saying “No!” Participants will learn a variety of tools for setting appropriate limits with young children without setting themselves up for a battle.

**Jan. 16, Thur., 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.**
The Birds and the Bees as Young as Threes?, CD (Intermediate)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Deborah Wood, PhD

How soon should we begin teaching young children about the “birds and the bees?” Join us as we explore this element of child development and learn techniques to help you handle this often delicate topic in your program.

**HEALTH, SAFETY & NUTRITION**

**OCTOBER**

**Oct. 26, Sat., 9:30 p.m.—12:30 p.m.**
Eye Spy: Playground Surveillance, HSN (All Levels)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Linda Bratcher

Hands-on activities stressing safety awareness: learn how to protect children from injury and your business from liability. Take this class and “Let's Celebrate: Thanksgiving—More than Pilgrims and Indians” at 1:00 on Oct. 26 and receive a $10 discount—$60 for members and $80 for non-members.

**Oct. 29, Tue., 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.**
Nutrition and Active Learning, HSN, (All Levels)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Paul Armstrong

Child obesity is a growing problem in young children. Children care providers can be a major factor in teaching children healthy eating habits and in keeping them active. Learn how to plan healthy meals that appeal to children and ways to keep children moving as they form good habits that will last them a lifetime!

**NOVEMBER**

**Nov. 12, Tue., 6:30 p.m.—9:30p.m.**
I'm So Sad...Identifying Signs of Depression in Young Children, HSN (All Levels)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Alyson Jacobson

Recent studies have found that children as young as three years old have been diagnosed with clinical depression. This workshop will look at the causes of childhood depression, help childcare providers identify behaviors that are considered warning signs, learn the risks associated with childhood depression and discuss strategies you can use in your program to support a child with depression.

**Nov. 14, Tue., 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.**
Managing Food Allergies in Child Care, HSN (All Levels)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Pamela Hamlin

Many children have food allergies with peanut, dairy and gluten allergies being the most common. How can you provide nutritious meals and snacks and a safe environment for all your children? This workshop will help you understand why allergies occur, how to make accommodations and provide you with tools and resources to use in your program.

**DECEMBER**

**Dec. 7, Sat., 9:30 p.m.—12:30 p.m.**
Book It To Cook It!, 2 HSN, .5 SN, .5 CUR (All Levels)

- Fee: $36 members, $46 non-members
- Trainer: Linda Bratcher

Use children’s literature to extend learning through cooking and nutrition oriented activities. We will utilize several books that may be new to you and your children and do some cooking too! There is a $1 materials fee per participant for this class. Take this class and “Conflict Resolution Strategies” at 1:00 on December 7 & receive a $10 discount- $61 for members and $81 for non-members.

**JANUARY**

**Jan. 22, Wed., 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.**
SDS Training: Safe Sleeping Practices, HSN (All Levels)

- Fee: $25 members, $35 non-members
- Trainer: Jodi Regner

SDS is the leading cause of death of children under 12 months of age in child care. This class teaches safe sleeping practices and meets OCC requirements for SDS training.

**CURRICULUM**

**OCTOBER**

Oct. 3, Thur., 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.
Where Listening, Speaking and Reading Begins: Understanding Early Literacy Development, CUR (All Levels)

- Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
- Trainer: Shantiea Barnes

Early language and literacy development begins at birth. Gain an understanding of how children will progress as they learn the art of listening and speaking and prepare to read and write.

**Oct. 22, Tue., 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.**
Circle Time Fun, CUR (All Levels)

- Fee: $25 members, $35 non-members
- Trainer: Eileen Brooks

Circle time is an important part of the child care curriculum. Learn new ways to keep your preschoolers engaged and excited to come to your program. Be prepared to engage in circle activities that will be educational and enjoyed by staff and students.

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**Directions:** The Resource Center is located at 9475 Lottsford Road, Suite 202, Largo, MD. Take exit 17A off the Capital Beltway/495 onto Landover Road toward Upper Marlboro.
Prince George’s Child Resource Center encourages the involvement and participation of individuals with disabilities in our programs, services and activities. Please let us know how we can best meet your needs as we comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act in making accommodations to promote and encourage your participation.

The Resource Center is a non-profit organization. Consider making a tax-deductible donation today.

October 2013—January 2014
SPECIAL NEEDS

OCTOBER
Oct. 10, Thur., 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.
Why Don’t They Hear Me? Having Sensitive Conversations with Parent, SN
Fee: $25 members, $35 non-members
Trainer: Infant Toddler Program Staff
Learn how communication and an atmosphere of trust and respect can help you raise concerns about development with families without jeopardizing their relationship so that you can connect them to local resources.

NOVEMBER
Nov. 14, Thur., 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.
Observe and Understand: Supporting Young Children with Challenging Behaviors, SN
(All Levels)
Fee: $25 members, $35 non-members
Trainer: Infant Toddler Program Staff
This interactive training will explore possible causes and triggers for challenging behaviors. Participants will learn to recognize when difficult behaviors may indicate developmental delays in communication skills or sensory and social/emotional domains.

DECEMBER
Dec. 12, Thur., 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.
First Words and Beyond: Early Intervention Strategies to Support Communication in Young Children, SN
(All Levels)
Fee: $25 members, $35 non-members
Trainer: Infant Toddler Program Staff
Learn how to identify concerns, the importance of early intervention, and tips to promote a child’s communication. Go home with fun strategies you can use at mealtime, snack time and playtime to promote oral motor development.

COMMUNITY

OCTOBER
Oct. 17, Thur., 6:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.
Providers and Parents: Make It a Winning Team, COM (All Levels)
Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
Trainer: Alyson Jacobson
Smart teachers know (and research has proven!) that when educators and parents work together, children do better in school, teachers are more effective and parents are more satisfied. This workshop will look at common barriers to home and school collaboration and identify strategies for strengthening parent/provider partnerships.

NOVEMBER
Nov. 2, Sat., 1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.
From Chaos to Calm: Planning for Multi-Age Groups, COM (All Levels)
Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
Trainer: Linda Bratcher
Working with mixed age groups of children can be a challenge! What do you do with the preschoolers when the baby cries? This workshop will help you plan activities that children of all levels can participate in. This training meets the first year family child care provider requirement for 3 hours of training in working with mixed age groups. Take this class and “Do Tell: Planning for Parent-Teacher Conferences” at 9:30 a.m. on October 26 and receive a $10 discount - $60 for members and $80 for non-members.

DECEMBER
Dec. 5, Thur., 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.
Getting to the Heart of the Matter: Strategies to Get Parents Involved, COM (All Levels)
Fee: $25 members, $35 non-members
Trainer: Shantiea Barnes
Parents and families aren’t always sure how to best support their child’s education and get the most out of their partnership with providers. Learn how to create a welcoming environment to keep parents engaged in their child’s learning and support your program’s goals.

JANUARY
Jan. 7, Tue., 6:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.
ADA and Special Needs—You Can Do It! SN
(All Levels)
Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
Trainer: Paul Armstrong
Embrace and welcome all children to your program! Learn everything you need to know about the Americans with Disabilities Act and how it affects your child care business.

Jan. 9, Thur., 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.
Infants and Toddlers Exploring their World: Brain Development and Movement, SN
(All Levels)
Fee: $25 members, $35 non-members
Trainer: Infant Toddler Program Staff
Learn how movement affects early brain development and practical activities to promote fine and gross motor skills, adaptations to make in the classroom for children with special needs and red flags of development.

Jan. 28, Tue., 6:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.
Signing With Children, SN
(All Levels)
Fee: $35 members, $45 non-members
Trainer: Pamela Hamlin
Studies show that teaching and using American Sign Language with young children decreases their frustration in communication, increases their vocabulary and increases cognitive development. Come and learn signs to use in all aspects of your program. This workshop will focus on “Bedtime” and “Playtime” Signs.

FIRST AID & INFANT/CHILD & ADULT CPR

FIRST AND CPR WILL BE OFFERED ON October 5, November 2, December 7 and January 4

CHOOSE FROM ONE OF THE THREE WORKSHOPS OFFERED MONTHLY TO MEET OCC TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR CPR AND FIRST AID

MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

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MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION WILL BE OFFERED ON November 23 and January 4

Sat., 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
Medication Administration; HSN (All Levels)
Fee: $65 members, $75 non-members
Trainer: Veronica Shaw-Kittrell, RN or Tina Ellis, RN

This class meets all Office of Child Care requirements for the administration of medication to children in child care. Everyone taking this training must pass an English and Math test given prior to the start of the class. Certificates will be issued by the trainer rather than the Resource Center. Please bring a bag lunch and drink.

Class size limited. No Walk-Ins.

FOR INFORMATION - For general information concerning Training or Resource and Referral services provided by the Resource Center, or other information or questions you might have, please contact the Resource Center at 301.772.8420 or visit our website: www.childresource.org.

Need Professional Activity Units?
If you need Professional Activity Units for the Maryland Child Care Credential, the Resource Center can help. There are many different ways to volunteer at the Resource Center.

Contact: Jodi, ext. 1010

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LOCATE: Child Care
Did you know that there’s an average of 1,221 online searches each month for child care in Prince George’s County on LOCATE: Child Care? LOCATE is a great marketing tool for your program. Keep your LOCATE information up to date to get the best results. LOCATE information can be updated online at www.marylandfamilynetwork.org. Call 1.866.752.1614 and leave a voice message with your vacancies and fee changes. Provider questionnaires can be filled out online or pick up a copy in our training room and mail it in.

Advocacy: Joining Voices
Want to have a voice in what happens in early care and education? Join our advocacy group as they tackle issues of interest to all child care professionals.

Contact: Laura, ext. 1011

Child Care Career & Professional Development Fund is available to assist child care providers with college tuition!

Contact: Jodi, ext. 1010 Laura, ext. 1011

Family Child Care Start Up
The Resource Center offers everything needed to get started in Family Child Care: 24 Hour Family Pre-Service, Emergency Preparedness, SIDS and CPR & First Aid. All of these requirements can be completed in just a 3 week period. Participants registering for all these classes receive a special price of $315 (a savings of $30). Already a provider or a center staff member? The individual Family Pre-Service modules may be taken as Core of Knowledge credit for $40 per module. Payment plans can be arranged. Contact: Francine, ext. 1001

Renewal
First year Family Child Care Providers need 18 hours of required training. Center Aides need 6 hours yearly and all other Center Staff and Family Providers need 12 hours of training each year. We offer training in each core of knowledge area each month. Let us help you put together the training you need.

Contact: Jodi, ext. 1010 or Laura, 1011

Please Arrive on Time
We work hard to ensure that Resource Center trainings meet high standards of instruction, begin on time, and provide the hours of training that is stated on the certificate. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the advertised start of any class. No one is admitted late. Certificates cannot be adjusted and no refunds are given.

Membership Reminders
Resource Center members receive a discount on all Resource Center trainings and can earn FREE training. Be sure to bring your membership card and have it punched each time you attend a training.

Contact: Ivette, ext. 1002

Online Training
The Resource Center is partnering with Maryland Family Network and the National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies to provide high quality, MSDE approved online training. Visit our website – www.childresource.org – to view our offerings.

Building for Success Conference 2014: Get Ready!
We want your help! Consider becoming a conference committee member to plan the event, or volunteer on the day of the conference. Check your mailbox in December for a SAVE THE DATE card.

Contact: Jodi, ext. 1010

Do you have children in your program who regularly exhibit challenging behaviors? Project WIN and Project LAUNCH can help!

Contact: Alyson, ext. 1008
Eileen, ext. 1009
Paul, ext. 1014

Maryland Child Care Credential
Becoming a credentialed provider is one of the basic steps in moving up the EXCELS ladder. If you are not already credentialed or would like to advance up the Credential ladder, let the Resource Center help you.

Contact: Jodi, ext. 1010
Registration Policies and Reminders

- Pre-registration and pre-payment are required for all workshops.
- If you register less than 24 hours prior to a workshop, an additional $20 will be added to the non-member workshop fee.
- No cash is accepted; payment may be made by credit card (Visa, Mastercard or Discover), check or money order. Credit cards and money orders are the only acceptable forms of payment on the day of a workshop.
- Registration fees are not refundable unless a class is cancelled by the Resource Center.
- Transfers are granted only when requested 24 hours in advance. There will be a $5 fee assessed if you cancel or transfer the day of the workshop.
- Register online, by mail, or telephone by calling 301.772.8420, ext. 1001.
- All Resource Center workshops provide MSDE Office of Child Care approved training credits for early education providers.
- Workshops meet high standards, begin on time, and provide the hours of training that is stated on certificates.
- Doors are locked when the workshop begins. Late-comers will not be admitted and no refunds will be given to those who arrive late.
- We love children, but only adults will be admitted.
- As a courtesy to workshop presenters and fellow participants, cell phones must be turned off or on vibrate while class is in session.
- Workshops are open to anyone who shares an interest in the growth and development of children.

Inclement Weather

The Resource Center follows Prince George’s County Public Schools inclement weather policy for closings and delayed openings. If you are scheduled for a workshop and the public schools close for inclement weather, the workshop will be cancelled. We will make every effort to notify those registered for a workshop if there is a change to the schedule. Please make sure that you give us a contact number or email where we can reach you or leave a message. If in doubt, please call the Resource Center at 301.772.8420. Cancellations will be posted on our website, www.childresource.org.

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