

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR



## June 2024

### The Growing Brain Module 1:

#### **The Basics**

**VIRTUAL** - This unit will look at how the brain grows and develops from conception to age 5 and describe the main parts of the brain and their functions, as well as explore how the provider can support healthy brain development in early childhood when the brain is most receptive to change.

**Presenters:** Lauren Schiavo and Alyssa Lego

**Wednesday, June 12th**

5:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Event ID: 141869

CDA Areas 5 & 6

#### **Health and Safety Refresher**

**VIRTUAL** - For all providers participating in the Child Care Assistance Program:

All returning caregivers, teachers, and directors shall complete the Health, Safety, and Child Growth and Development Refresher in-service training on an annual basis. (2 Hours)

English Event ID: 141673

Spanish Event ID: 141674

CDA Areas 5 & 6

### The Growing Brain Module 2:

#### **Factors Affecting Brain Growth and Development**

**VIRTUAL** - We will discuss what factors lead to positive, healthy brain development, as well as factors that can inhibit growth and development since this is the time for the greatest opportunity to nurture positive, strong brain development, and also the time of greatest vulnerability.

**Presenters:** Lauren Schiavo and Alyssa Lego

**Wednesday, June 19th**

5:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Event ID: 141871

CDA Areas 5 & 6

#### **Quarterly Provider Meetings**

**SAVE THE DATE - VIRTUAL** - For all providers participating in the Child Care Assistance Program:

#### **Topic: CCAP Copay Reinstatement**

#### **Child Care Centers & Summer Youth Camps:**

Tuesday, June 18th at 12:30 p.m.

#### **Approved Home Providers:**

Thursday, June 20th at 6:00 p.m.

#### **Family Child Care Providers:**

Wednesday, June 26th at 6:30 p.m.

*(Zoom invitation and links will be emailed to all child care programs separately.)*

### **E-Child Care Training:**

**VIRTUAL:** Learn how to comfortably navigate through the E-Child Care portal to check agreements, payments, and copayments. We will also review how to access the required Attendance Calendar.

**Wednesday, June 26th** - 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Event ID: 141110

# CAMDEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Your Child Care  
Resource & Referral Agency  
for Camden County



The Department of Children's Services has been providing assistance to families, child care professionals, and the community since 1971. As the Child Care Resource and Referral Agency for Camden County, it is our goal to:

- Promote and support high quality child care that is affordable and available for all families.
- Offer professional development opportunities and technical assistance to child care programs.
- Work with local officials, schools, employers, and the childcare community to help develop child care programs that meet the expanding needs of our families and the demands of our economy.

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## The Federal Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG)

Reauthorization Act of 2014 increases the health and safety requirements for all child care and early learning programs that accept child care subsidies. All staff working in child care programs are required to complete the following trainings to meet the CCDBG reauthorization requirements. All new staff need to complete their required training within 2 weeks of their hire date:

- **Health, Safety, and Child Growth and Development/Mandated Reporting (10 hours)** - available at no cost on-line through NJCCIS.com or virtually through our agency.
- **Pediatric/Adult CPR/First Aid (6 hours) - in person training only**  
For more information or to register for a CPR class, please contact Mary Ferro at (856) 374-5122 or [mary.ferro@camdencounty.com](mailto:mary.ferro@camdencounty.com).

**Grow NJ Kids** is a state-sponsored initiative to raise the quality of child care and early learning throughout New Jersey.

This quality rating and improvement system gives child care and early learning programs resources to assess and improve their programs while providing parents with information that allows them to evaluate the quality of programs and make the best choices for their child. The goal is to create a system that encourages ongoing improvement.

### **For more information, please contact:**

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**Infant and Toddler Specialist Network (ITSN)** uses a multi-layered technical assistance approach to efficiently support progressive movement through the framework of the ITSN.

When working with an Infant and Toddler Specialist (ITS), you can expect to be involved in a collaborative process between the provider and ITS. The technical assistance, trainings, and all work related to improving your program are tailored to your specific needs.

### **For more information, please contact:**

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