PLEASE POST FOR STAFF AND PARENTS

Free Virtual Training for Your Staff with The Boulder County ABCD Partnership!

Our goal is to assure all children in Boulder County are ready for kindergarten by identifying concerns early and helping families connect to the resources they need. Participants will learn:

- Support strategies for how to share developmental concerns with families
- How to connect families to local developmental and evaluation resources

Trainer: Boulder County ABCD (Assuring Better Child Health and Development) Partnership

Time: Scheduled to meet the needs of your program

Where: Virtual

Cost: Free

Training credit: 1 hr., Child Growth and Development

To register: Contact Natasha Stewart, RN at nstewart@bouldercounty.org or 303-579-5343.

ECCBC-Sponsored Trainings

Expanding Quality in Infant & Toddler Care (EQIT) Training Series

EQIT is a 48-hour intensive training series for caregivers working with infants and toddlers. There will be two online cohorts offered in Spring 2023: one on Tuesday evenings beginning in January and one on alternating Saturdays beginning in January.

Registration is now open.

*See the EQIT brochure accompanying this Training Calendar for more information and details on how to apply, or visit: https://www.eccbouldercounty.org/resources-for-child-care-providers/professional-development/expanding-quality-infant-toddler-training-eqit/

Fall 2022 Pyramid Plus Approach Incentive Program

For PPA Courses Completed in Fall 2022!
The Pyramid Plus Approach Incentive Program reimburses course fees (up to $415) for a limited number of individuals who have completed the Pyramid Plus Approach training during the months of September-December 2022.

Applications accepted December 1 through January 2

*There are a limited number of incentives available. Incentives are awarded on a first come, first served basis!

For more information: Visit Financial Incentives and Workforce Development - Early Childhood Council of Boulder County (eccbouldercounty.org)

For questions: Contact Amy Carlough at acarlough@eccbouldercounty.org or 720-548-3984.

Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS)
(For Licensed Programs)

http://coloradoshines.force.com/home

Colorado Shines QRIS tracks information on your program and is where you apply for a Level 2 or above rating.

Professional Development Information System (PDIS)
(For Individuals)

http://coloradoshinespdis.com

PDIS tracks training, education and employment information for individuals who work at licensed programs, centers and homes, and it is linked to QRIS. After you register, you can apply for the EC Professional Credential 3.0 and more.

ECCBC’s Quality Support Navigator, Nicole Malone, can provide personalized assistance with QRIS or PDIS. If you have questions or would like to schedule an appointment, please contact Nicole Malone at 720-548-3985 or nmalone@eccbouldercounty.org.

Front Range Community College

Early Childhood Education Scholarship

Funding is available for tuition and individual stipends for Early Childhood Education students for the 2022-2023 academic year!

For questions or more information contact Leah Morley at Leah.Morley@frontrange.edu or call 970-204-8384.
### Community Trainings

**December 7**

**Equity-Focused, Trauma-Informed Strategies To Address Exclusionary Practices in Early Childhood Communities**

Connect with other early childhood providers in Colorado to improve your understanding of experiences of trauma and use of exclusionary practices in early childhood and learn strategies to promote equity and inclusion.

**Trainer/Presenter:** Colorado Dept. of Early Childhood in partnership with Resilient Futures  
**Time:** 5:00 pm–6:30 pm  
**Where:** Online  
**Cost:** FREE  
**Training credit:** 1.5 hrs., Social Emotional  
**To register:** Visit [Registration (gotowebinar.com)](https://gotowebinar.com)  
**For more information:** Visit [Equity-Focused, Trauma-Informed Strategies to Address Exclusionary Practices in Early Childhood Communities](https://coloradoshinespdis.com)

**December 13**

**Brrr...It’s Cold Outside, Let’s Go Out and Play!**

Join us to learn hands on fun ways to engage children outdoors in Winter. We will discuss barriers, guided activities, and ways your outdoor space can support play year round.

**Trainer/Presenter:** Early Childhood Health Outdoors  
**Time:** 1:00 pm–2:30 pm  
**Where:** Zoom webinar  
**Cost:** FREE  
**Training credit:** 1.5 hrs., Teaching Practice  
**To register:** Visit [https://ezregister.com/events/37037](https://ezregister.com/events/37037)

### December 15

**Gender, Expectations, and Social Emotional Development in Early Childhood Programs**

In this eye-opening webinar, participants will learn about the importance of creating gender inclusive early learning environments and the concrete actions they can take to create environments that support all children’s healthy gender development.

**Trainer/Presenter:** Early Childhood Investigations  
**Time:** 12:00 pm–1:30 pm  
**Where:** Online webinar  
**Cost:** FREE  
**Training credit:** 1.5 hrs., Teaching Practice  
**To register:** Visit [Registration (gotowebinar.com)](https://gotowebinar.com)

### Looking Ahead!

**Feb 2- April 26, 2023**

**Making the Most of Classroom Interactions**

In this 12 Week Course through Teachstone participants will learn to identify and describe effective interactions in the classroom, build skills and strategies to apply CLASS concepts to their teaching and feel more connected to and supported by their colleagues through collaborative peer learning.

**Trainer/Presenter:** Amanda Naylor  
**Time:** 6:00pm–8:30pm  
**Where:** Online via ZOOM  
**Cost:** Free to qualified applications or $525 private pay  
**Training credit:** 24 hrs., Teaching Practice, 2.4 CEU  
**To register:** Register through PDIS  
**For Information:** Contact Amanda Naylor at 720-227-8731 or naylorfamily728@gmail.com

### January 21–April 19, 2023

#### Pyramid Plus Approach Training

This training provides applicable tools to support all children, birth–age 5, in gaining social emotional competence and addressing challenging behaviors.

**Training credit:** Pyramid Plus Approach qualifies as a Training of Special Recognition for EC Professional Credential 3.0 and meets the state requirements for Child Guidance Strategies (ECE 103). To receive a certificate of attendance, you must attend all days of training and complete all 18 sessions.

**For Information:** Contact LJ Werner, MA-ECSE, at 303-330-8277 or kidzwithease@gmail.com

#### Pyramid Training Coming in 2023!

Healthy Child Care Colorado will offer **22 Pyramid trainings and teaching materials at no cost to eligible participants across the state.**

The application is open until Dec 7th.

**For more information:** Visit [Training & Coaching - Healthy Child Care Colorado](ecclacolorado.org)

### T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Colorado Scholarship Program

Check your eligibility and apply! The application period is open to be considered for Spring 2023.

**For more information:** Visit [T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® Colorado Scholarship Program (ecclacolorado.org)](ecclacolorado.org)
Health & Safety Trainings

**Tuesday, December 6**

**Medication Administration Part 2 for Child Care Providers**

- **Trainer:** Kim Strenge, RN
- **Time:** 6:00 pm–7:00 pm
- **Where:** Zoom
- **Cost:** $50
- **Prerequisites:** Part 1 and 2 combined
- **Credit Hours:** 4

**Emergency Preparedness Training is Now Available in PDIS**

Emergency and Disaster Preparedness for Child Care Providers, is now available, in English and Spanish, on the Colorado Shines PDIS. The course focuses on emergencies that are more likely to occur in Colorado, such as wildfires and tornadoes, and also provides information and links to Colorado-specific resources that will be helpful before and after an emergency. This 1.5-hour course meets the one-time licensing requirements for emergency and disaster preparedness training.

**Emergency Preparedness for Child Care**


**For questions:** Contact Jane Wilkinson at jawilkinson@bouldercounty.org

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Health Department

**Reporting Requirements for Directors**

Directors are required reporters for some infectious diseases. If the illness is on the **Communicable Reportable Conditions** list AND is required to be reported immediately or within 24 hours, then contact the 24/7 BCPH Communicable Disease Hotline at 303-413-7523.

If not immediately reportable, then email HealthECE@bouldercounty.org

**Here are additional Health Resources:**

- Call your Child Care Health Consultant (CCHC)
- For the latest state-specific guidance, visit Colorado Shines PDIS: https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/colorado-shines-pdis.
- For guidance on infectious diseases in schools and childcare, visit https://www.cdoh.colorado.gov/programs/childcare/school-health.
- Email Health ECE inbox for navigating health in your program HealthECE@bouldercounty.org

**The Child Health Promotion** program promotes the health and wellness of children and families in Boulder County, with particular emphasis on improving the health, safety, and quality of care for children in child care settings.

**For more information visit:** https://www.bouldercounty.org/families/pregnancy/child-health-promotion-program/

Find the Current Training Calendar and flyers online at [www.eccbouldercounty.org](http://www.eccbouldercounty.org).

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ECE Partner Meetings With Boulder County Public Health

Boulder County Public Health’s Child Health Promotion team will provide the most current public health information as it relates to COVID-19 and early child care settings. These virtual meetings for directors and family child care providers are held quarterly on the second Monday of the month from noon to 1:00 pm. Contact Jane Wilkinson at jawilkinson@bouldercounty.org if you do not already receive links via email.

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Child Health Promotion Dietitian, Boulder County Public Health Dept.

FREE services: nutrition questions, menu reviews, staff and parent trainings, etc. Contact Tori Lee at 303-413-7549 or vlee@bouldercounty.org.

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Early Childhood Mental Health Support Line

The Early Childhood Mental Health Support Line is a no-cost, confidential resource for anyone who cares for children under age 6. The support line helps families and caregivers to better understand and support the mental and emotional well-being of young children in their care.

To connect with an Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant, click here to fill out the online form or call the ECMH Support Line at (833) ECMH411 Monday through Friday 10:30 am to 5:30 pm to speak directly to a consultant.

Interested in strengthening your community’s social-emotional health supports for young children and families? Check out the [Early Childhood Mental Health Toolkit](http://earlychildhoodmentalhealthkit.org) and The Right Mix to Support Social-Emotional Health in Early Childhood.
Do you or your staff need CCAP training?

Email isherman@bouldercounty.org to be added to the next training. Trainings are virtual and held from 12:30 pm–1:30 pm every other month.


- Information for parents and providers, links to community resources, FAQs, and the CCAP Application in English and Spanish are available on the CCAP website at www.bouldercountychildcare.org.

- If you need assistance with anything related to CCAP, please contact the Boulder County CCAP team at ccap@bouldercounty.org.

Questions?

CCR&R information: contact Annette at 720-548-3982 or acrawford@eccbouldercounty.org

Family Child Care information: contact Elena at 720-212-9762 or ebacmeister@eccbouldercounty.org

Colorado Shines updates: contact Jennifer at 720-212-8402 or jphilbrook@eccbouldercounty.org

For Providers

Report Openings: Please update your openings through the CDEC Provider Hub in your QRIS account.
- Visit: https://coloradoshinesportal.force.com/providerhub/s/login/ or
- Call Jennifer at 720-212-8402 and she will update your openings in the Colorado Shines system.

Provider Services: Providers can contact the CCR&R Program at ECCBC for technical assistance, information about professional development, Family Child Care licensing, Family, Friend & Neighbor (FNN) care, PDIS, Colorado Shines profile updates, quality support, and funding information. Call 720-548-3982 or visit our website: https://eccbouldercounty.org/resources-for-child-care-providers/

For Families

Referrals: Parents can request a customized referral list from the Colorado Shines Child Care Referral Program at Mile High United Way:
- Call 877-338-CARE (2273) or
- email childcarerefs@unitedwaydenver.org or
- visit: https://unitedwaydenver.org/childcarerefs/

Enhanced Referrals: If, after calling the child care programs on the referral list provided you are unable to find care, please go to the ECCBC website and fill out the form that is appropriate for the location where you need care. Filling out this form does not guarantee placement. Visit: https://eccbouldercounty.org/families/child-care-referrals/

Services: Families can contact us with general questions about child care in Boulder County, the child care referral process, and child care licensing.

Items Translated Into Spanish

- Child Care Resource Packet Materials
- Rules Regulating Family Child Care
- General Rules
- Special Activity Rules
- Forms

Need forms for Spanish-speaking families?
Many forms are the same for both family child care homes and child care centers, and the Spanish translation is already done!

For forms in Spanish: Please visit http://www.eccbouldercounty.org/resources-for-child-care-providers/child-care-spanish/

Both Providers and Families

Need help connecting to community services or resources? Help is available through:

- Colorado 2-1-1: Dial 2-1-1 or text your zip code to 898-211 to reach a Community Referral Specialist.

This publication is funded through a grant provided by the Buell Foundation to the Professional Development Committee of the Early Childhood Council of Boulder County. For more information, go to www.eccbouldercounty.org.
Expanding Quality in Infant/Toddler Care

Training Series

Spring 2023

Meets requirements for Colorado Department of Early Childhood
EQIT 48 hour Training Certificate

Materials & Administration Fee:
Applications must include a $50.00 nonrefundable materials and administration fee (unless waived).
The Boulder County Department of Housing and Human Services will pay the fee for those employed in a center/home with a current CCAP agreement.
Fee may also be waived for financial hardship. Please contact Amy Carlough at 720-548-3984 to waive the fee.

To Apply:
General online application opens: Tuesday, November 1, 2022!
Visit our website: www.eccbouldercounty.org navigate to the EQIT section of the “Professional Development” webpage and click on the Spring 2023 Online EQIT application link.

*Mandatory Orientation
For participants and their directors, Tuesday, January 17th 6:00pm–9:00pm online via Zoom. A Zoom link will be provided once enrollment has been confirmed. Note: Feb. 9 and March 9 are Thursdays.

Saturday Cohort (Online):
(Saturday mornings and afternoons)
January 14, 21
February 4, 18
March 4, 18
April 1, 15, 29

Snow date: May 6
Saturday morning classes are 8:30am-11:30am and Saturday afternoon classes are 12:00pm-3:00pm online via Zoom. A Zoom link will be provided once enrollment has been confirmed.

*Mandatory Orientation
For participants and their directors, Saturday, January 14th 8:30am–11:30am online via Zoom. A Zoom link will be provided once enrollment has been confirmed.

EQIT may prepare you for
Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) credit for community college course ECE 111:
Infant/Toddler Theory and Practice.
Contact leah.morley@frontrange.edu.

Sponsored by the Professional Development Program of the Early Childhood Council of Boulder County.
For more information go to www.eccbouldercounty.org
Funded by the Expanding Quality in Infant/Toddler Care Program, Colorado Department of Early Childhood
What Is EQIT?
EQIT is a 48-hour intensive training series for caregivers working with infants and toddlers.

There are 16 training modules:
1. Wonder of the First Three Years
2. Care of the Spirit
3. Responsive Caregiving for Healthy Relationships
4. Our Partners: the Families
5. Safe, Healthy, and Responsive Care
6. Responsiveness and Resilience
7. Power of Spaces and Places
8. Day to Day the Relationship Way
9. Exploring Early Learning
10. Nurturing Language
11. Discovering Literacy
12. Babies in Motion
13. Embracing Culture
14. All Babies Belong
15. Cheers for Peers
16. Celebrating Our Profession

Free, **On-site, strengths-based, reflective coaching is available to all infant toddler caregivers!

*Generously funded by the Colorado Department of Early Childhood
**Virtual coaching offered due to on-going COVID-19 limitations.

What Can the EQIT Training Certificate Be Used For?

Toward Licensing Requirements:
- Director's Qualification
- Early Childhood Teacher Qualification (formerly Group Leader)
- Assistant Early Childhood Teacher
- Infant Nursery Supervisor Qualification
- Infant/Toddler License
- 3 under 2 License
- Large Home License
- Experienced Provider License
- Annual 15 hours of professional development for year course is taken

Toward Early Childhood Professional Credential 3.0:
- Will receive 2 permanent points in the Formal Education component of the Early Childhood Professional Development Credential 3.0
- Plus can earn points in the ongoing professional development component if trainee participates in 8 hours of EQ Relate coaching as part of the training (only available to infant toddler caregivers including directors and family childcare homes).

Toward Colorado Shines High Quality Rating:
- Completion of EQIT training and 8 hrs EQ Relate Coaching results in 3 points per classroom toward center or home’s Workforce Qualifications and Professional Development (within 12 months before the rating assessment).

Expanding Quality in Infant and Toddler Care

Vision:
All infant/toddler caregivers act from an appreciation and understanding of their impact on each infant and family they serve.

Mission:
Expanding Quality in Infant/Toddler Care Initiative will expand the quality and availability of responsive group care for infants and toddlers in Colorado by:
- Strengthening the skills and knowledge base of caregivers in infant and toddler development, responsive caregiving, working with families and respecting cultures.
- Facilitating professional development for infant/toddler professionals.
- Supporting leadership and collaboration at the community level.
- Promoting systematic change that will provide support for increasing quality.

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Sponsored by the Boulder County Child Care Assistance Program, the Buell Foundation and the Early Childhood Council of Boulder County

The Pyramid Plus Approach Incentive Program reimburses course fees (up to $415) for individuals who have completed the 18 Pyramid Plus Approach training sessions on evidence-based practices which support social emotional competence and address challenging behavior in young children, birth-5 years old.

*Incentives are awarded on a first come, first serve basis based on funds available

Pyramid Plus Approach Incentive Requirements:

- Must have completed Pyramid Plus training sessions in September-December 2022.
- Must live and/or work in Boulder County at the time the training is taken, and when applying for the incentive.
- Must presently be employed at least 20 hours per week as an ECE professional at a licensed center or family child care home or eligibility approved by ECCBC.
- Must submit a completed Pyramid Plus Approach Incentive application packet along with a copy of your certificate of completion for the Pyramid Plus Approach training completed

Apply on-line! Applications will be posted on ECCBC’s website beginning December 1.

https://www.eccbouldercounty.org/resources-for-child-care-providers/professional-development/financial-incentives/.

*Incentives are awarded on a first come, first serve basis based on funding available!

For more information or questions: Contact Amy Carlough at 720-548-3984 or acarlough@eccboulderocunty.org

Nov. 2022
PYRAMID PLUS APPROACH TRAINING

Trainer: LJ Werner
Location: Zoom
Cost: $415

Targeted Audience: Early Childhood professionals and others working to improve the social emotional health of children Birth – 5 years; including administrators, coaches, trainers, teachers, Early Childhood Mental Health consultants and specialists, Early Intervention providers and other health professionals are encouraged to attend.

About the Trainer: LJ Werner has been a Pyramid Trainer/Coach/Facilitator in Colorado for 10 years and works closely with many programs, children, and families throughout the front range, and beyond, for over 20 yrs. She puts these practices into place at The Child Learning Center’s (CLC) Inclusive Program (ages 18 mos – 5yrs) on CU Boulder’s Campus as the ECSE and Director. Her passion is to promote evidence-based best practices that emphasizes on inclusion, social-emotional development and guiding challenging behaviors through providing education, coaching and modeling. Her goal is to support ALL who work with children in feeling successful and inspired in the classroom and beyond. She believes that children are the most important part of our communities and beyond.

Structure of Training: The materials are developed so participants will be able to apply strategies and tools in their practice. Presentation will be delivered in a manner that systematically breaks the content into 18 sessions with specific topics and strategies, which provide concrete examples based in a variety of settings (center based and home).

Pyramid Plus Approach Training meets the state requirements for Child Guidance Strategies and is considered a training of special recognition in CO Shines. Your certificate does not expire. College credit opportunities available after completion. To receive a certificate of attendance you must attend ALL days of training and complete ALL 18 sessions.

REGISTRATION CLOSES JANUARY 13, 2023

Click here for registration and payment information.
LJ PPA Registration Form, 2023 Trainer.pptx - Google Slides
For questions, contact:
LJ Werner, MA – ECSE
Colorado Early Childhood Approved Advance Trainer & Coach Pyramid Facilitator
303-330-8277 / kidzwithease@gmail.com

PAYMENT PLANS & COACHING AVAILABLE
CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED
Making The Most of Classroom Interactions (MMCI) 12 week Virtual Training

FREE **Register through PDIS **FREE

***To qualified applicants (must work with low income families).*** PDIS Fee will be waived.

Training Dates: 12 weeks-Wednesday’s February 1st, 2023-April 26th, 2023
No Class: March 29th, 2023

Teachers who participate in the CLASS Group Coaching (MMCI) program will:

- Learn to identify and describe effective interactions in the classroom
- Build skills, insights, and strategies to apply CLASS concepts to their teaching
- Feel more connected to and supported by their colleagues through collaborative peer learning
- Teachers who participate in group coaching receive: access to exemplary classroom videos, Group Coaching Participant Guides, and CLASS Dimensions Guides
- As an IACET Accredited Provider, we offer CEUs to empower educators as lifelong learners and professionals.
  Teachers Receive 2.4 CEUs for completing the series of CLASS MMCIsessions.

Participants will earn 24 pts Professional development in PDIS.
To earn additional points in Demonstrated Competencies participants can request a CLASS Observation through an independent CLASS observer - additional fee.

**Become ECT** - Participants who complete the training and receive at least 1 point for the Demonstrated Competency observation, will earn enough points to meet the minimum requirements (Level 2, 21-35 points in at least 2 components) for ECT qualifications.

Trainer/Presenter: Amanda Naylor
Time: Wednesday Evenings- 6:00pm-8:30pm for 12 weeks (no class 3/29)
Where: Zoom Virtual Meeting
Cost: **Free To The first 20 participants in**
Training Credits: 2.4 CEU’s equalling 24 pts in PD in PDIS
To register: Register through PDIS
Information: Contact Amanda Naylor at 720-227-8731, or naylorfamily728@gmail.com