

Little Prints



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Opportunity is knocking...Open that door!!!

Professional Providers: Are you interested in...

- Earning more \$\$\$ for the services you now provide by becoming an Accredited Type B provider?
- Earning a CDA certificate or ECE Associates Degree?

Have you always thought about or are you interested in getting a Credential or College Degree so you can:

- Become a Type A, State Licensed provider in the future?
- Open a Child Care Center in the future?
- Work as an Administrator in a Child Care Center in the future?

This could be a life changing opportunity for you and your family.

Watch your mail for more information.

- How to immediately begin working towards a **Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential** which could also be turned into an **Associates College Degree in Early Childhood Education (ECE)**.
- How Community Mentors will work with you individually to help you achieve any of these goals and help you receive the credentials you need in the Child Care field to be even more successful than you are now.
- How to "hook up" with Professional Business Associations after you have completed your training and received your Credentials/College Degree to make a real difference for the children you will serve and for your own family.
- How to find these opportunities and support services during non-traditional hours or over the Internet.

There will also be opportunities for any Professional Type B provider who would like to earn their GED or High School Diploma.

If you said "YES!!" to any of the above questions, we have some great news for you. In the very near future you will receive information about:

- How to become an Accredited Type B provider, which would allow you to make more \$\$\$.
- How to become involved in the **Head Start Enhancement program**, which will help you get free play materials and provide free health screening services for the children you serve and allow you to work towards your Child Development Associate Credential (CDA) in the future.



When you hear opportunity knocking...**OPEN THAT DOOR!!**

Provider's Corner



Kimberly Satcher has dedicated 14 years to the children of Hamilton County as a home daycare provider. She became a provider in order to stay home with her son, Tyler, and give him all of the attention he needed to grow into the responsible man that he has now become. The love she holds for children eventually grew into a career. She offers a safe and happy atmosphere for the children in our community and continually strives to enhance her knowledge of early childhood education.

Ms. Satcher believes that keeping a sound, safe, and secure environment that relishes happiness and making learning fun is the key for preparing children for kindergarten. She believes in maintaining the trust of families in the community by caring for their children as if they were her own. It is one of her goals to help the children in her care reach their full potential through stimulating and enriching activities.

Ms. Satcher offers developmentally-appropriate materials and lessons designed to teach reading and writing skills, as well as social and personal skills. She encourages building the child's self-esteem by giving lots of one-on-one attention and making sure each one knows how truly important they are. She offers the parents weekly progress reports so they are aware of their child's individual skill level.

The service that Kimberly Satcher provides to our children is priceless. Her wonderful outlook on life and devotion to our precious "little gifts" are qualities to be commended. In her free time, she enjoys entertaining family and friends, going out to dinner and the movies, listening to music and traveling. It is her goal to complete her CDA and buy a home in order to open a Type A daycare center.



Marion Woods is a force to be reckoned with in the land of daycare providers. Partnered with her husband of 33 years, James, Mrs. Woods provides a level of service to the children in her care that raises the bar for the competition. Certified in 1998 with Hamilton County, Mrs. Woods strives to increase her knowledge of child development with activities such as serving on the Daycare Advisory Council, taking part in the 4C program, and attending child care seminars. She founded "Together We Can Achieve," which is an organization to help daycare providers become better equipped to help children and their parents.

Mrs. Woods believes in recognizing each child's individual abilities and catering her lessons to meet their special needs. She promotes education through a variety of learning opportunities she provides including: science experiments, sensory activities, story time, puzzles, writing skills, math, dramatic play, listening and responding activities, sound identification, manipulatives, large-muscle activities, phonics, and foreign language. She spotlights the children in fashion, science, and art shows. To promote higher education, when a child is ready to enter kindergarten, Marion has a graduation ceremony.

Each one of the children's birthdays is celebrated by James with the writing of an inspirational poem in their honor. The love that is witnessed in this home is heartwarming and encouraging. The walls are covered with the children's pictures and artwork. The amount of pride that Marion and James hold for the children is very apparent by their loving actions, gentle guiding words, and boastful bragging about their children. Mrs. Woods' doors are always open to previous daycare placements and she readily supplies these children with summer school activities to keep their mind stimulated. Marion and James pass on their exceptional kindness and love to their 3 children and 6 beautiful grandchildren.

Summertime is here!

Safety Resource Center

- ▶ Do your child care placements ride in the correct car seat?
- ▶ Is your house fully “child-proof?”

Come and visit the Safety Resource Center located in the Emergency Department waiting area of Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center.

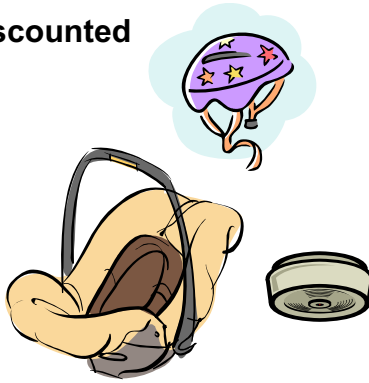
An Injury Prevention Specialist is available:

- Mon – Fri: 1-4 PM & 5-8 PM; or,
- 24-hour message system.

Services include discounted safety items:

- Car seats,
- Smoke alarms,
- Bike helmets and more!

Free injury prevention education material and counseling from a trained Injury Prevention Specialist.



If you are unable to stop by during the hours of operation or would like speak to the specialist, leave a message at (513) 636-3139. Someone will respond to your call.

Field Trip Ideas



Dunham Pool

“Otto Armleder Memorial Regional Aquatic Center at Dunham Recreation Complex”

Daily Pass	
Adult	\$ 5.00
Youth (17 & younger)	\$ 2.00

The Cincinnati Zoo

Adult	\$13.00
Children	\$ 8.00

For **free** days, check out:

www.cincinnati-zoo.org



Cincinnati Museum Center

	Number of attractions		
	1	2	3
Adult	\$7.25	\$10.25	\$13.25
Children	\$5.25	\$7.25	\$9.25



Customary Charge Training Continues for Limited Providers!

Karen Carr (Contract Manager) and **Jenni Davis** (Policy Development/ Training Coordinator,) will be training Limited Providers in the month of July and may extend thru August.

Once providers receive this training they must submit their customary charge information to Ms. Carr. New billing practices must also be used once you have completed the training.

We will be contacting Limited Providers by mail and inviting them to come to one of the classes, attendance is **MANDATORY**.

Reminder: This is a training session. Please...

- ▶ Do not bring child care placements or other children; and
- ▶ Make sure cell phones are turned to silent mode.

Happy Trails, Sue Zimmerman



Sue Zimmerman is retiring from HCJFS after over 34 years of service. She started at HCJFS on March 24, 1974. Sue's first two jobs were as an employment counselor and a foster care worker. She was a Child Care Manager of Consumer Specialists (who work with parents) from 1980 to 1990. In 1990, she was promoted to a Research position.

Sue returned to Child Care in 1996 and has been with us ever since. In her current role, she has performed many different tasks and duties. She spearheaded our collaboration with Head Start and the Early Learning Initiative (ELI). Sue has written policies and procedures, developed our internal web site and has also written many of the fact sheets for the external web site. She has served as a liaison between Child Care and Information Systems, other parts of HCJFS and several community agencies. Sue has assisted us with our data and statistical needs. She has done so much more.

Sue has been a true asset to Child Care and HCJFS. We will miss her and wish her well in her new adventures. She plans to save the world or at least a small part of it. We know she will.

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