

Family Child Care Newsletter

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Hello!

I hope this newsletter finds you all well and safe. As you probably know, BCAP is mostly working remotely, our buildings are closed to visitors, and staff are not doing site visits at this time. However, we are still available to all of you. We are continuing with trainings, files, renewals, technical assistance, etc. If you need anything, please email or call us.

I would also like to introduce our new Professional Development Trainer, Corinna Harris. Corinna fills the position Judy Byrne vacated when she became our Family Engagement Specialist. Corinna was responsible for bringing the online Pyramid Model trainings to us this month.

TRAINING with KRISTIN

I hope everyone is well and staying safe. The past couple of months have been a change for all of us and how we function in our everyday lives. Even though we cannot come together (right now) for in-person trainings BCAP offers every month, there are many FREE online trainings and webinars that are readily available. Please feel free to contact me at kmayes@bccap.org and I can send you various email links that consist of recorded and/or upcoming webinars.

The training team has been hard at work preparing trainings that are being offered to all BCAP providers. I will be offering a 2-part training in June on “Working with Dual Language Learners and Building Cultural Competency”, so be on the lookout for a flyer with all the training information. Please note that **both** trainings will need to be attended in order to receive a certificate of completion and professional development hours. Contact is always available via email, so please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions and/or concerns. I hope to see you all soon!



HELPFUL HINTS from VIVYAN

Hello everyone, I miss your faces and your voices!

While away from the office:

--I have been updating your office files. So if you receive a notice from me requesting information, please complete and send it to me.

--Please take this time to also organize your business files and request what you need from your parents.

--Remember! As the children are enrolling, that is the time to get the information because you never know when an emergency will happen.

--I am available for technical assistance if you have questions. Feel free to leave me a message or email, and I will contact you during the week. I am currently working from the office and home.

IMPROVING with KATHRYN


Hello everyone! I hope that you are healthy and safe. I know we are in the midst of situations that we haven't seen before. I want you to know that I am still here for you as your Infant Toddler Specialist. I will be delivering webinar training that will count toward your professional development requirements. You will receive notification of when these webinars are available. They will be delivered via Zoom. I am also available to answer questions or help with concerns you may have regarding infant/toddler care. The best way to initially reach me is by e-mail at this time. We can correspond by e-mail, phone, Zoom, or Microsoft Teams. My e-mail address is kasimone@bccap.org.

ENGAGING with JUDITH

During these trying times, it is important to rely on each other. We've reached out weekly to some of the families in our community to offer resources, activities for children, and sometimes just simple support. Please encourage your families to contact me at jubyrne@bccap.org if they need any assistance at all. Also, stay tuned for upcoming Parent Cafes through Zoom, where families can share with each other and receive training and information.

GATHERING with CORINNA

Hello, my name is Corinna Harris, and I am the new Professional Development Trainer for BCAP. I previously was an Early Head Start and Head Start teacher for BCAP, and switched to the CCR&R department on March 2nd. Throughout my teaching journey, I was able to collect



valuable experiences in the infant, toddler, and preschool environments. For the last 5 ½ years, I was fortunate enough to be able to witness children grow and develop from infancy until their preschool age. Furthermore, I established trusting and meaningful relationships with parents, guardians, and families, and experienced family engagement as a vital part of a child's positive development.

I am looking forward to providing exciting and beneficial pieces of training to FCC providers and teaching staff, and I am confident that my yearlong experience will allow me to do so in a practical manner. To be an effective educator, it is vital to possess useful knowledge, be willing to create and execute constructive teaching strategies, and, most importantly, to provide a safe, loving, and caring learning environment. I am grateful for any constructive criticism, positive input, and ideas, and I am looking forward to working with each one of you to guarantee a positive outcome for you and the children in your care. You can reach me at coharris@bccap.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

All in-person workshops are cancelled until further notice. BCAP is transitioning to presenting/hosting workshops online.

ONLINE WORKSHOPS

Working with Dual Language Learners and Building Cultural Competency
June 17 and June 24, 1:00 pm
email kmayer@bccap.org to register

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY

Look out for emails with upcoming dates and Zoom links.