# DIVISION OF EARLY CARE & EDUCATION NEWSLET'S



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# Kids' Call of the Game 2016





Sundays are Kids' Call Nights at the Charleston Riverdogs Joe Riley baseball stadium in Downtown Charleston. Your child has a chance to read a historic baseball play over the announcement system and on the radio and win tickets to another game. First pitch is at 5pm, so arrive before 4:30 and check in at the Riverdogs Office for the Kids' Call of the Game for your chance at being a sportscaster for the night! It's first come, first serve so get there early!

## University of South Carolina & Clemson University Football

Registration is open for Kids' Call of the Game for the 2016 football season. Tell your parents to visit scchildcare org by June 1 to sign their children up for a chance to record a historic Clemson or Carolina football game call to be played on the radio, have their photo on the video board during a game, and get a behind-the-scenes tour of the stadium as well as four tickets to a home game. Your child care center will be entered in a drawing to win a learning center improvement grant valued at \$1,000.

For questions, email Morgan. Jones@dss.sc.gov.



## FIRST AID KIT &**EMERGENCY SUPPLIES**

A licensed or registered child care provider must maintain a first aid kit and emergency supplies to treat minor cuts and abrasions. The kit should be in a secured location that is labeled and is known to all staff and accessible at all times, but not accessible to children. Kits should be restocked after every use and an inventory maintained monthly. The log should list when inventory was conducted, verify that expiration dates were checked, and the name of the staff person who completed the inventory.

#### Kit Contents

Your first aid kit should contain:

- disposable latex-free gloves;
- 2. scissors;
- tweezers;
- 4. non-mercury thermometer;
- bandage tape;
- 6. sterile gauze pads;
- 7. safety pins;
- 8. eye patch or dressing;
- 9. cold pack;
- 10. pencil & note pad;
- 11. water;
- 12. tissues;
- 13. wipes;
- 14. flashlight;
- 15. whistle;
- 16. sanitary pads to control bleeding injuries; and
- 17. standard first aid chart.



### Product Recalls Related to Child Care

DSS Regulation 114-507C(2) states that furniture, toys and recreational equipment shall meet the standards of the US Consumer Products Safety Commission (CPSC), if applicable, and that recalled products shall not be accessible to children. For more

information, call CPSC's hotline at 800-638-2772 or visit their website: www.cpsc.gov. To report a dangerous product or related injury, go to http://saferproducts.gov.

- ♦ Britax Infant Car Seats ♦ KHS America Musical Indue to fall hazard caused by breaking car seat handle
- ♦ Chillafish Balance Bikes due ♦ Classic Characters Infant to laceration hazard caused by overinflated tires
- ♦ Dollar General Construction Toy Trucks due to  $\lozenge$  Nuna Baby High Chairs due fire & burn hazards
- ◊ J. Crew Girls' Coats due to choking hazard caused by  $\Diamond$  Wedgewood Baby Rattles buttons on the coat detachina

- struments due to violation of lead paint standards
- Booties due to choking hazard—sold at Cracker Barrel Old Country Store
- to fall hazard caused by the arm bar
- due to choking hazard caused by ball bearings

# Tell Us How We're Doing

The Division of Early Care and Education is committed to positive, helpful interactions with parents and child care providers. For this reason, we have uploaded a series of surveys to hear your feedback on your experiences with us. Share your experience at

www.scchildcare.org/surveys.

#### Partner Spotlight on CCCCD

The Center for Child Career Development (CCCCD) is the professional development system that helps to professionalize SC's early childhood workforce. CCCCD awards credentials and Smart Money bonuses to those who take early childhood courses at colleges in SC. It maintains an online registry for all DSS child care training hours, certifies all trainings, provides an online training calendar and allows child care professionals to access their professional development transcripts online. Additionally, CCCCD offers technical assistance and TEACH® Early Childhood SC scholarships. For more information about CCCCD, visit sc-cccd.net

or call 866.845.1555.

## SC Voucher Payment Rate Increases

The Div. of Early Care & Education has received approval to increase the maximum payment rates paid by the SC Voucher Program. If the rates you charge your private pay clients are higher than what you are currently being paid for SC Voucher children, you may be eligible for an increase. Once approved, your new rates will be effective for ALL current voucher children in your program. To apply for an increase, call the SC Voucher Control Center at 800-262-4416 or email Christi.Jeffcoat@dss.sc.gov.