



Division of Early Care & Education Newsletter

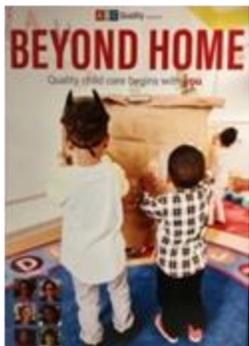


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Child Nutrition Recipe Box

The Child Nutrition Recipe Box provides Child Nutrition program operators with recipes to prepare healthy and delicious meals that meet meal pattern requirements. These recipes are standardized to provide meal pattern crediting information for all meal pattern components and include recipes made with legumes, whole grains, and vegetables from the vegetable subgroups including dark green, red, and/or orange vegetables. USDA Standardized Recipes for the Child Nutrition Programs are now available on the Institute of Child Nutrition's Child Nutrition Recipe Box (CNRB). [Browse recipes for the Child and Adult Care Food Programs \(CACFP\) and for school nutrition programs here.](#)



Announcing New ABC Quality Video - *Beyond Home*

ABC Quality is thrilled to announce the release of the “**Beyond Home**” video! The video is designed to answer questions about ABC Quality and provide a brief overview. Parents and early childhood providers give their perspective on personal experiences participating in the ABC Quality program! To view the video please [click here](#). Programs are free to use the video to educate parents and staff about ABC Quality. To schedule an ABC Overview presentation for staff and/or parents contact Sherrie Dueno sherrie.dueno@dss.sc.gov or call 864-238-7972

Product Recalls



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>.

- ☛ **E&E Bedroom** due to tip-over and entrapment hazards.
- ☛ **Ridgewood Four-Drawer Dressers** due to tip-over and entrapment hazards.
- ☛ **IKEA Infant Bibs** due to choking hazard caused by detachable snap.
- ☛ **Soft Play Spider Climb Playground Climbers** due to fall hazard.



FLU Prevention

The flu is a contagious respiratory illness that can be deadly. Pregnant women and children younger than 5 are at an increased risk to develop flu complications. Expecting mothers who contract the flu have an increased risk of premature labor and delivery and an increased chance of their baby having birth defects. When infected people cough or sneeze, they produce droplets that release into the air. Contact with infected droplets spreads the flu. A person contracts the flu when she/he touches, inhales, or ingests anything contaminated with the droplets. The flu can be passed in the air within a 6 foot range of the sick person. Adults may infect other people starting one day prior to when symptoms show and 5 to 7 days after becoming sick. Children may spread the virus for longer than 7 days. Symptoms begin 1 to 4 days after the virus enters the body.

Prevention

- ✔ Flu vaccine (most current)
- ✔ Antiviral drugs
- ✔ Frequently sanitize commonly used surfaces
- ✔ Eat healthy, exercise, and get plenty of rest

[DHEC Guide and Checklist](#)

[DHEC Flu Prevention in Child Care](#)

Symptoms

- ✔ Fever
- ✔ Sore throat
- ✔ Chills
- ✔ Cough
- ✔ Muscle or body aches
- ✔ Headache

Workforce Registry



The SC Center for Child Care Career Development (CCCCD) is launching a new Workforce Registry soon. Trainers will have access to the new Registry mid-November and all providers and teachers will have access in early January. As part of the National Workforce Registry Alliance along with 40 other states, CCCC is bringing an advanced web-based system that will track and promote the training, employment, and educational accomplishments of early childhood care and education (ECE) and after-school teachers and providers throughout the state. This is an exciting update that will bring greater efficiencies and a one-stop location for you to track your training, education and credentials. Our staff is working diligently to make the transition to the new workforce registry as seamless as possible.

2020 Conferences: Save the Date



SCECA – Feb 6-8, 2020, at the Charleston Area Convention Center. To register and for more information [click here](#).

SCAECE – Feb 22, 2020, at the Medallion Conference Center. To register and for more information [click here](#).