



Division of Early Care & Education Newsletter



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FREE TRAININGS: Connecting the South Carolina Early Learning Standards to Your Lesson Plan

Explore how to use webbing to connect your theme and lessons into the SCELS. We will form the connections together as we explore the early learning standards. This training will be held on two different dates and at two different locations. For dates and times please see information below.



Date: Saturday, January 19, 2019
Time: 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Location: Laurens Family YMCA
410 Anderson Drive
Laurens, SC 29360
DSS Credit Hours: 2.5 Curriculum
To register for this training in Laurens [click here.](#)

Date: Saturday, January 26, 2019
Time: 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM
Location: Midway Baptist Church
153 Midway Road
Gaffney, SC 29341
DSS Credit Hours: 2.5 Curriculum
To register and for this training in Gaffney [click here.](#)

Have You Seen the Blogs?



The ABC Quality blogs are the new hot spot for everyday early childhood facts and questions. The blogs help sort between fact and fiction while also providing helpful tips on a variety of subjects. Topics addressed include the importance of quality care, nutrition, school readiness, outdoor play, and a host of other interesting topics.

[Click here](#) to view the blogs.

Do you participate in ABC Quality and are you proud of it?



ABC Quality wants to help you advertise your participation in ABC Quality. ABC Quality has developed informational panel cards to help parents understand the importance of choosing a high quality child care environment. You can order these cards for free to hand out to families that tour your facility. [Click here](#) to see the cards and to order your own copies.



Free Trainings: Family Child Care Super Saturday Jasper

When: Saturday, January 26, 2018

Come join us as we learn about the licensing laws and regulations that affect your business, safety practices that will keep everyone safe, ways to prevent over enrollment, and other essential necessities that will help keep your business running in full effect. We will also cover what should be included in your contracts and policies that will set as well as protect order in your business.

Where: Palmetto Electric Cooperative
4063 Grays Highway
Ridgeland, SC 29936

Sessions: 9:00AM –11:30AM Your Family Child Care Home In Full Effect

DSS Credit Hours: 2.5 Health & Safety

12:30 –3:00 FCC Business Practices: Contracts & Policies

DSS Credit Hours: 2.5 Program Admin

To register and for more information [click here.](#)

REMINDER: The Governor's Advisory Committee on the Regulation of Child Care Facilities meeting will be held January 22, 2019, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at the DSS North Tower Building located at 1535 Confederate Ave. Extension, Room 307-310, Columbia, SC 29201.

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>.

- ☛ **Meijer Children's Hooded Jackets** due to choking hazard caused by detachable zipper slider.
- ☛ **Skip Hop Convertible High Chairs** due to injury and fall hazards caused by detachable highchair legs.
- ☛ **The Company Store Children's Robes** due to violation of federal flammability standards.



Severe Winter Weather Prep

Winter weather can be a delight to see, however it can also be very dangerous. Please check out the Winter Weather Guide for tips on what to do before, during, and after a winter storm. The guide covers a variety of topics. Read to find tips on how to prepare your home for a winter storm and what to do if you're caught driving in a blizzard. Also, learn how to prevent heating-related fires and carbon monoxide poisoning. Preparation can help to keep you safe and may even save a life. **To access the Winter Weather Guide please** [click here.](#)