



ELC Provider Update



1) Free Webinar! "Is Your Child Care Program Prepared for Emergencies?"

We are pleased to announce our next FREE evening webinar, brought to you by [Child Care Aware Parent Network](#)! As with all of our great content, this session is FREE! We hope you will join us online for:

[Is Your Child Care Program Prepared for Emergencies?](#)

This presentation will show parents how to ensure their family child care provider or center program is prepared to keep children safe during emergencies. Many different types of emergencies occur in the United States in a year including winter storms, tornados, floods, hurricanes, and wildfires. Child care programs should have a plan for protecting children and communicating with parents when natural or other disasters or emergencies occur. Questions to ask providers will be covered.

Our presenter, Dr. Beverly Schmalzried, is the Senior Strategic Advisor for the National Association of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies (NACCRRRA) and has many years of experience working with providers who both need to prepare for and recover from natural disasters. She formerly directed the United States Air Force's worldwide system of child care and youth programs. She currently teaches as a Professor at Milligan College in Tennessee.

[Wednesday, May 12, 2010, at 8:00 p.m. EST](#)

Eastern	Central	Mountain	Pacific	Alaska/Hawaii
8:00pm	7:00pm	6:00pm	5:00pm	4:00pm/2:00pm

After registering for the webinar, be sure to check out what's going on with **Provider Appreciation Day** which is **Friday May 7th**. It is a special day to recognize child care providers, teachers and other educators of young children everywhere. Started in 1996 by a group of volunteers in New Jersey, Provider Appreciation Day is appropriately celebrated each year on the Friday before Mother's Day. Please visit www.providerappreciationday.org for information on planning events, downloading a free poster, as well as lots of helpful information to help you celebrate child care providers where you live.

Have you joined NACCRRRA's Child Care Aware[®] Parent Network? Raise your hand for high-quality child care by joining today. It's free! <http://www.CCAParentNetwork.org>. Be sure to stay tuned for the [next series of FREE evening webinars](#) brought to you by the Child Care Aware[®] Parent Network!

1) Introduction to Child Care

The state required 40 hour training will be offered at:

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923 26th St W
Bradenton

Cost: \$15.00 per module
Books will be provided free of charge!

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Facility Rules and Regulations – June 7 and 9 – 6:00pm
Child Abuse and Neglect – June 10 – 6:00pm
Child Growth and Development – June 14 and 16 – 6:00pm
Behavioral Observation and Screening – June 19 – 8:30am

Family Child Care Home Rules and Regulations – June 21 and 22
(This class will be held at SCTI in Sarasota – 6:00pm
Contact Venise for more information 866-470-1905)

Preschool Appropriate Practices – July 12, 14 and 17 – 6:00pm/8:30am

Exams will be offered onsite

Exams for first five modules – June 23 and 24 – 6:00pm
Exam for Preschool Appropriate Practices – July 19 – 6:00pm

Registration for the classes can be completed online at: www.myflorida.com/childcare/training.

For more information regarding these classes contact
Brenda at 941-746-3503 or
Venise at 866-470-1905

2) Training Calendar UPDATE

The FCCERS-R (Family Child Care) Overview in the Environment Rating Scale Overview series has been moved to Tuesday, May 25th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Please contact Erin at 757-2917, or esutton@elc-manatee.org to reserve your spot in this training.



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