

Subject: CCIDS Provider E-Blast June 17, 2011

Message from the Project Team

It is important that providers are kept informed as the implementation of the Ohio Electronic Child Care (Ohio ECC) projects comes closer. E-Blasts will continue to be sent to providers and posted to the CCIDS Web site. Please check your email often for up to date information.

Provider Portal

If you move your business, you will be issued a new provider number by the county JFS or state licensing staff. The county child care caseworker or your licensing specialist can provide you with your new provider number. You will also be issued a new User ID for the portal. You can contact the CCIDS Help Desk to get your user ID as soon as you have your new provider number. **You MUST complete and submit a new provider agreement for the new location using the portal. Providers are only paid for services that occur on or after the day the provider agreement is submitted.**

You are encouraged to log into the portal and print a copy of the provider agreement, rate form and bank form to retain a copy for your records. If you are not making changes to the information, then select no changes at the bottom of each form after you print a copy.

The portal will be unavailable due to routine system maintenance on the following dates/times:

Tuesday, June 21 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Saturday, June 25 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Thursday, June 30 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Ohio Electronic Child Care (ECC)

Attached are several documents related to Ohio ECC.

Caretaker FAQs were developed for caretakers/parents and will be mailed to them with their swipe card prior to ECC go live.

5 Things You Can Do to Help Families Prepare for Ohio ECC

1 – Remind the caretaker (parent) to activate their card. Caretaker cards have not been mailed yet. However, caretakers may need reminders to activate their cards prior to trying to use them. If a caretaker's card is not activated and they swipe using the point of service (POS) device, the swipe will be denied and the provider will not be paid if services are provided.

2 – Encourage them to watch the online presentation to learn about their swipe card. An online presentation is being developed for caretakers to provide instruction on how to use their card with the providers POS device. Some providers have suggested hosting a viewing of this recorded presentation prior to Ohio ECC live. The presentation is being distributed to counties, and will be available on the CCIDS web site.

3 – Remind caretakers (parents) to bring their swipe card with them every day. This will reduce the number of back swipe incidences that must be completed in order for providers to be paid. This will also assist caretakers to get in the habit of using their card when needed.

4 – *Keep your POS Device Quick Reference Guide beside your swipe card machine.* All providers will be given this guide at the time of the POS installation. It is a wonderful tool to keep next to your POS device to assist caretakers and you with POS functions.

5 – *Make available the Ohio ECC announcement sheet and the Caretaker FAQs.* The Ohio ECC announcement sheet, attached, is a half sheet notice that providers can share with caretakers.

Ohio Early Care and Education Conference Questions and Answers are attached. CCIDS staff presented at this conference. Many answers were provided in the Provider FAQs that were sent with the last E-Blast. However, some additional questions are included in this document.

Pre-Kindergarten Content Standards for English Language Arts and Mathematics were adopted by the State Board of Education on April 12, 2011. These new Standards were developed to align with the national Common Core State Standards and are now posted on the ODE website and available via the following links:

English Language Arts

<http://education.ohio.gov/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationID=1699&ContentID=86942&Content=105330>

Mathematics

<http://education.ohio.gov/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationID=1704&ContentID=83475&Content=105328>

Please remember, the Pre-Kindergarten Content Standards for Science and Social Studies with the accompanying Model Curriculum are also available on the ODE website.

Science

<http://education.ohio.gov/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationID=1705&ContentID=76585&Content=105424>

Social Studies

<http://education.ohio.gov/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationID=1706&ContentID=76598&Content=105049>

CCIDS Web Site

Please refer the CCIDS website <http://www.ifs.ohio.gov/cdc/CCIDS.stm> for information on Ohio ECC including forms (Equipment Agreement, Installation Information), all CCIDS E-blasts and other important information.

Contact Information

To be added to or removed from this email blast please contact

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Telephone: CCIDS Help Desk - 1-877-302-2347, choose option 1 for provider assistance.