Quarterly Provider Network Meeting

January 26, 2022
Agenda

1. Guest Speaker – Dr. Adinolfi
2. Overview of New Network Meeting Format
3. High Points from HB419/SB7011, and CLASS
4. Open Discussion/Q&A
5. Adjourn
Guest Speaker

Dr. Suzanne Adinolfi
Network Meetings

A Look Ahead
How We Got Here

Last Network Meeting – September 2021

We noticed lower attendance and decided to contact those who had missed 2 or more Network meetings since July. We surveyed those providers with the following three questions:

1. I noticed you haven’t been attending the network meetings. Do you mind sharing why?
2. If we could make changes to make it easier or more worthwhile for you to attend, what would those changes be?
3. What is your preferred frequency for a meeting of this type?
How We Got Here

Here are some examples of your responses:

• Information is stagnant.
• Monthly meetings are difficult to attend.
• Meetings held in person are difficult due to staffing issues.
• More directors would participate if the information were relevant or important to their business.
• Providers would love to have the meetings recorded to listen to them on their own time.
• The meetings are when we have to turn in attendance, do food program paperwork and other items, so we can’t come.
How We Got Here

With your feedback in mind, we created this new model.

1. Meetings will be held quarterly
2. Meetings will be virtual only
3. Meetings will fall during the last full week of the first month of the quarter
4. Meeting content will be informational in nature: other data points and information will be included in the newsletter or on the website
What’s Next?

Next meeting – **Wednesday, April 27, 2022**

Please send requested topics of discussion to the [Redline](#). We will take all of your suggestions and build out a working agenda for the next quarterly meeting.
CLASS and HB419
CLASS Review

CLASS is a research-based method of measuring, evaluating, and improving teacher-student interactions. Utilizing the CLASS tool enables high quality interactions which lead to improved academic and social-emotional outcomes for students. The CLASS tool is broken down into three primary domains:

• Emotional Support
• Classroom Organization
• Instructional Support
The interactions teachers have with children impact learning, development—even lifelong achievement. CLASS is the observation tool developed to assess these interactions, not specific materials in the classroom or specific activities.

You can learn more about CLASS by participating in the online CLASS Primer trainings for directors and instructors offered by Teachstone. If you have access to Teachstone, you may be able to access these trainings. If you need access, you can reach out through the Redline to discuss how you can get registered.
CLASS observations will start in the 2022-2023 school year for EACH VPK classroom.

As more information comes down from DEL, we will be sure to share it out.
VPK Support Tour

We know that you will likely need some support given the changes that have been put into place, and we are here to help!

Jana Miller, our CLASS Coordinator, and Karen Waymire, our VPK Specialist, have put together a plan to go out and visit each private VPK provider, and school district coordinator. The pop-in visits will start around February 1, 2022, with a goal to visit each of you by the end of the VPK program year.

During these visits Jana and Karen will discuss the ways in which the Coalition is able to help you all prepare for program assessments and hear any concerns you may have. We hope that you will afford them the opportunity to visit your classrooms and introduce themselves to your teachers.

We are looking forward to seeing you all soon!
Enhanced provider listing – this requirement will be met using the online listing tool in the EFS MOD system; however, it is important for providers to understand that prospective families will have access to more information about their business as a result of this enhancement. The information shared is as follows:

1. Contact Information
2. Gold Seal Designation and Accreditation Status, where applicable.
3. Quality Rating, Program Assessment Scores, and Participation in Child Assessments
4. Program Schedule
5. Ages Served, and Curriculum
6. Group Sizes and Ratios
7. Enrollment Information
8. Private Pay Rates
9. Applicable Registration Fees
10. Applicable Differential Fees
11. Environment
12. Special Services
13. Languages Spoken, Other than English
14. Transportation
15. Meal Options, and Food Program
16. Family Discounts
17. Legally Operating Status
18. Link to Licensing and Inspection Reports
Provider Profile:

As you complete your profile update for the next contract year, you can expect to see questions related to serving children from military families. Specifically, they will be asking about your business being located on a military installation, and certification from the Department of Defense. Those questions will fall under the Facility and Services tabs on your profiles.
See Ya Next Time!

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Questions and Adjourn