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Child and Adult Care Food Program Closure

The Child Start Board recently voted unanimously to terminate the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) sponsorship, effective 7/31/08. Since that decision, Child Start has corresponded regularly with KSDE, who administers CACFP at the state level to ensure that a smooth transition for providers. Child Start served more than four hundred family home providers through their program. 5 other CACFP sponsors continue to serve the service delivery area: Child Care Links in Hutchinson; First Choice in Salina/Wichita; Noah's Ark in Chanute; Nutrition Plus in Winfield; and Quality Care Services in El Dorado.

New Provider's Forum

Starting August 1, 2008 Child Start will have a new and improved Provider's Forum. We are excited about this new forum that gives us a new and improved way to communicate with providers and ways for providers to collaborate with each other.

With this new forum you can respond to articles posted by Child Start, post items for sale, start your own discussions, instant message Child Start staff, sign-up for automatic updates to be sent to your e-mail, and more, all without remembering a user name and password.

To access the new Provider's Forum visit www.childstart.org. August 1st the link available on the left hand side of Child Start pages will be updated to the new forum. All categories on the old forum will be moved to the new one as well as any posts that are still of use and not expired.

Introducing...efficiency tools for SRS Child Care Providers...on the web!

The Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services (SRS) is pleased to announce a new service for child care providers who receive payments via the Kansas Vision card. A new web portal, ebtEdge, will allow providers to log into a secure site to access a variety of services. The ebtEdge site is hosted by eFunds, contractor for State EBT (electronic benefits transfer) transactions. Industry standard security measures assure that only the provider can access the information in their EBT payment account. (This is not the provider's bank account)

Providers will be able to view and print daily deposits from Vision card payments. Drill-down capability will allow details of individual payments included in the total deposit to be viewed, for example, who made the payment, date, time, etc.

Provider information including: address, phone number, hours of operation, and transaction processing cutoff time can also be viewed on the site, along with the provider's current EBT contract information. Documents such as POS guides, help topics and news will also be posted to the site. These new and exciting tools will enhance current business management practices and will be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The target launch date for the site is August 2008. Providers who receive Vision card payments should keep an eye out in early August for a brightly colored post card announcing the availability of the new website.

August In-Service Trainings

Date	County	Title
4	Reno	The Early Catastrophe: the 30 Million Word Gap by Age 3-Introduction
4	Rice	Nuts and Bolts of Center Care 101 Part 1
5	Kingman	Budgeting 101 for Busy Childcare Providers
5	Sumner	PCAN-M2, Early Brain Development Part 1
6	Sedgwick	Child Abuse Recognition & Reporting/Signs and Sym.
7	Harvey	A Morning in the Life of A Preschooler
9	Sedgwick	Adult, Child & Infant CPR & First Aid/Safety
11	Rice	Nuts and Bolts of Center Care 101 Part 2
11	Sedgwick	A Morning in the Life of A Preschooler
12	Marion	SIDS and the Child Care Setting
12	Sedgwick	First Aid Introduction and Refresher
12	Sumner	PCAN-M2, Early Brain Development Part 2
14	Butler	Child Abuse Recognition & Reporting/Signs and Sym.
14	Sedgwick	Tools of the Trade I
18	Reno	The Early Catastrophe: The 30 Million Word Gap by Age 3-Implications
18	Rice	Nuts and Bolts of Center Care 101 Part 3
18	Sedgwick	Child Abuse Recognition & Reporting/Signs and Symptoms
19	Marion	First Aid Introduction and Refresher
21	Marion	Child Abuse Recognition & Reporting/Signs and Symptoms
23	Sedgwick	Adult, Child & Infant CPR & First Aid/Safety
25	Reno	The Early Catastrophe: the 30 Million Word Gap by Age 3-Application
27	Sedgwick	First Aid Introduction and Refresher
28	Sedgwick	Tales for Tots: Storytelling in Early Childhood Settings
28	Sedgwick	Nuts and Bolts of Center Care 101 Part 2

September In-Service Trainings

Date	County	Title
2	Sedgwick	Child Abuse Recognition & Reporting/Signs and Symptoms
6	Sedgwick	Adult, Child & Infant CPR & First Aid/Safety
8	Harper	Tools of the Trade I
8	Rice	First Aid Introduction and Refresher
9	Marion	The Early Catastrophe: the 30 Million Word Gap by Age 3-Introduction
10	Sedgwick	PCAN-M1, Building Collaborative Relationships with Families Part 1
11	Sedgwick	Creative Arts for Infants and Toddlers
15	Harper	Tools of the Trade II
15	Harvey	Budgeting 101 for Busy Childcare Providers
16	Marion	The Early Catastrophe: the 30 Million Word Gap by Age 3-Implications
16	McPherson	PITC-M3, Facilitating Learning: The Role of the Caregiver Responsiveness
16	Reno	Nuts and Bolts of Center Care 101 Part 1
16	Sedgwick	First Aid Introduction and Refresher
17	Sedgwick	PCAN-M1, Building Collaborative Relationships with Families Part 2
18	Sedgwick	Tools of the Trade II
22	Harper	Tools of the Trade III
23	Marion	The Early Catastrophe: the 30 Million Word Gap by Age 3-Application

For more information or to make a reservation please call 316-682-1853 or visit www.childstart.org
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