

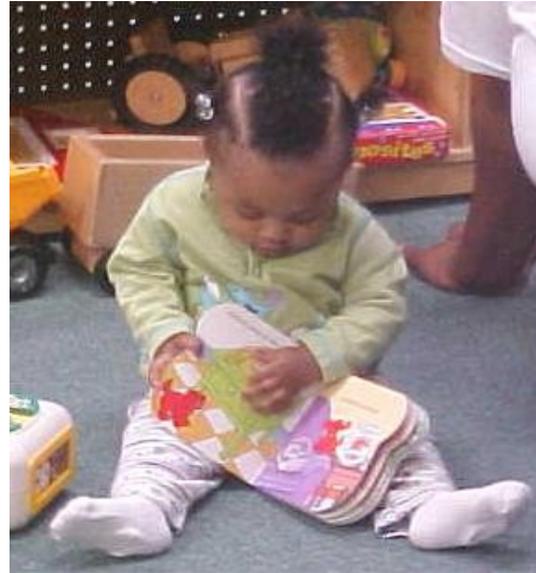
Together, we can improve the quality of early care and education in Northeastern North Carolina!

Northeastern Carolina Child Care Resource and Referral works with child care professionals and the community to improve the accessibility, affordability and quality of child care throughout Northeastern North Carolina.

Because research links the education level of early childhood teachers with quality child care, a variety of trainings, workshops, continuing education courses and professional development activities, as well as educational supplement programs are available to support high quality child care. Also, on site technical assistance, which includes help with room arrangements, lesson plans, and developmentally appropriate activities, is available.

In addition, highly trained and qualified Consumer Education and Referral Counselors are available to help families locate quality child care and school-age care that specifically meets their needs. The Counselors provide information about what to look for in a child care program and refer families to area programs that may best meet their needs.

FOR MORE INFORMATION about child care or early care and education in your county, call 252.333.3205 (locally) or 1.800.262.8314 (toll free) or 252.441.0614 (Dare County)



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Enabling families, practitioners and communities to recognize, support and access high quality, affordable child care



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Did you know.....?

- There are 122 licensed child care centers and 75 licensed family child care homes in Region I (*North Carolina Division of Child Development and Early Education Monthly Statistical Reports, April 2016*)
- There are 9,563 children ages 0-6 with working parents in Region I (2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates)
- Forty-three percent (43%) of center directors, 58% of teachers and 37% of assistant teachers have at least an associate degree in early childhood education (ECE) or a related field in Region I (*2015 Child Care Services Association Workforce Survey*)
- There are 5,133 children enrolled in licensed child care facilities in Region I (*North Carolina Division of Child Development and Early Education Monthly Statistical Reports, April 2016*)
- In Region I, the median wage for a center director is \$15.75 per hour. The median wage for a teacher is \$10.10 per hour. The median wage for an assistant teacher is \$10.10 per hour (*2015 Child Care Services Association Workforce Survey*).

Families need quality, affordable child care so that they can succeed as parents and as employees. Children need quality settings to ensure that they have the experiences necessary for their optimal growth and development. Communities need support and assistance in building the supply of quality child care available to families.

YOU can help. Increase the public awareness of the importance of quality early care and education in YOUR COMMUNITY!



THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD CARE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL (CCR&R) SYSTEM

CCR&R services are available to everyone in all 100 counties in North Carolina. The counties are grouped into 14 Regions. A Regional CCR&R Lead Agency such as Albemarle Alliance for Children and Families (AACF) manages regional child care resource and referral services for all counties in each Region. AACF manages the child care resource and referral activities for Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Northampton, Pasquotank, and Perquimans Counties.

Regional services throughout the state serve North Carolina's families, child care programs, school-age programs and early childhood professionals through the provision of the core services of consumer education, professional development, technical assistance, data collection and analysis, and public awareness.

HOW CAN CCR&R HELP?

CCR&R's help FAMILIES by:

- Providing referrals to child care programs that are customized to meet the family's needs
- Educating families about child care licensing regulations and how to choose quality child care
- Providing information about financial assistance and other community resources.

CCR&R's can help EARLY CARE PROFESSIONALS by:

- Providing trainings, workshops, and continuing education classes to improve the quality of child care and supporting new child care facilities and professionals
- Offering professional development supplements so professionals may continue to provide quality child care
- Advocating for better wages and benefits for the child care community.

CCR&R's can help the COMMUNITY by:

- Providing child care supply and demand data so policy makers, employers, funders, and others can make sound decisions in business planning, funding quality child care initiatives, and maintaining and improving the supply of child care in our community.