

## ***WHO'S WHO AT CHILD CARE RESOURCE (CCR)***

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The Professional Development Team creates/develops a quarterly training schedule of workshops for providers offering professional development opportunities to meet desired goals in their work with children. The team also offers one daylong conference to area providers each year and

publishes this quarterly newsletter. The Professional development team can provide technical assistance with IPDPs, accreditation and CDA classes. Other resources available include Kit's Place, a toy and book lending library as well toy van visits to centers and providers. Welcome to Child Care visits are available to new and existing child care programs offering consultation on marketing strategies, potential real estate for new programs and support around program sustainability. The Professional development team can also link providers with mentors and subs to support, enhance and develop their program.

### **Consultation Team**

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Our Child Care Consultant Team works closely with child care providers and parents concerning a wide variety of child care related issues. We can help with everything from designing a child care space to individualizing your program in order to accommodate the varying needs of each child. Our trained and friendly staff start by exploring both your needs and those of the child. Support is given in many ways, including written material, workshops, visiting your program, or providing links to other community resources. We collectively bring over 36 years of experience to our work and are here to help!

### **Referral Department**

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The referral department maintains a computerized provider referral file with detailed information on child care programs, such as openings,

location, and cost. Referral specialists can give parents and guardians the names of programs that meet their particular needs and offer counseling on choosing quality child care.

### **Child Care Subsidy Department**

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The subsidy department helps parents and guardians decide whether they have an established service need and meet income guidelines that would qualify them for childcare subsidies. Specialists assist providers with questions concerning payment, family eligibility and procedural and payment requirements.

### **Child Care Food Program**

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All Registered childcare providers are eligible to participate in the Child Care Food Program (CCFP). The goal of this program is to ensure that nutritious meals are provided to children in childcare. Registered home childcare providers can be paid for the meals and snacks they serve to children enrolled in the program. Providers receive technical support and menu review, free recipe and snack ideas for the children, and three home visits per year.

### **Child Care Mentoring**

Child Care Resource can connect registered provider and licensed centers with trained mentors. Mentors can provide support and technical assistance to providers and programs in many aspects of early care and education. These areas include, but are not limited to: curriculum planning, program planning, policies, contracts, budgets, professional development and basic child guidance techniques.

### **Williston Children's Center**

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CCR runs a NAEYC accredited childcare program in the heart of Williston village providing quality care to children.

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