



# Family Child Care, Incorporated Quarterly Newsletter

2012~October, November, December~

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*FCCI is an organization of licensed family child care providers committed to developing and promoting high quality child care in our community through education, resources, and support.*

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## Workshop Location

Redeemer Lutheran  
Church

869 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE  
Rochester MN 55904

Please use the main entrance and proceed to the lower level. The entrance door is on a security timer and is unlocked ½ hour before and after the start of the workshop.

## Upcoming Workshops

*Members, please be prepared to show your membership card.  
Non-members, be prepared to pay a \$15 training fee.*

October 8, 2012  
7:00 pm-9:00 pm

### Crabbie Masters

Presenters: Becky Undlin

[www.crabbiemasters.com](http://www.crabbiemasters.com)

This training will introduce the basic concepts and skills for the Crabbie Masters program. Crabbie Masters is a fun, positive approach to helping children understand and manage their feelings. Through this approach, they will also learn how to make good choices and build confidence in themselves and others.

November 12, 2012  
7:00 pm-9:00 pm

### Q & A with Olmsted County Licensing

Presenters: Olmsted County Licensors

Join us for a question and answer session with Olmsted County licensors! They will be here to answer frequently asked questions providers may have regarding Rule 2 regulations, new crib standards, etc. Providers are encouraged to submit questions in writing by Monday, November 5 to

[fccimn@gmail.com](mailto:fccimn@gmail.com)

December 10, 2012  
6:30 pm-9:30 pm

### Child Passenger Safety

Presenter: Deborah Schroeder

#### Bonus Training for 2012 and 2013 FCCI members!!

According to Rule 2, if a family child care provider wishes to transport child care children under the age of 9, he/she must complete Child Passenger Safety training (CPS). This training must be completed every 5 years. In this three-hour training providers will learn the correct use and installation of child restraint systems. This training fulfills this licensing requirement for transporting children in family child care

# 2012 Workshop Calendar

October 8, 7pm-9pm	Crabbie Masters <a href="http://www.crabbiemasters.com">www.crabbiemasters.com</a>	Becky Undlin
November 12, 7pm-9pm	Question and Answers with Olmsted County Licensing	Olmsted County licensing
December 10, 6:30pm-9:30pm	Child Passenger Safety	Deborah Schroeder

Sales and Purchasing items are available from 6:30pm-7pm. Die cut pre-orders are available on-line at [www.fccimn.com](http://www.fccimn.com) Sales Table closes at 7pm

## Workshop Sale Items

Seasonal and themed die cut packages, felt board activity kits, teaching tools, and literacy combinations are available for purchase before every workshop, except January and May.

View sample items on-line at [www.fccimn.com](http://www.fccimn.com) in the Provider Page.

## Provider Marketplace

Sales table are available to providers with a second business at the monthly workshop. So, whether it's cosmetics, jewelry, children's toys, scrapbooking, etc. We invite you to share your second business. Contact the Volunteer Coordinator to register for a free table. A door prize donation is requested.

**New Baby? In the Hospital?**  
**Getting Married? Special Celebration?**  
**Death in the Family?**

*Our members are important to us!*  
 If you know of a special event or time of concern for a fellow FCCI member, please contact Julie, 288-1064 or email, [fccihospitality@gmail.com](mailto:fccihospitality@gmail.com) so she can let that person know that their friends at FCCI are thinking of them!

**Keep informed locally:**  
**Sign up for FCCI's monthly E-news; send your request to [fccimn@gmail.com](mailto:fccimn@gmail.com)**  
**And with your state association Minnesota Licensed Family Child Care (MLFCCA.org)**

**Shaken Baby Video:** Available at the February, March, April, June, August, September, October and November workshops, 6:30pm. Check-in at the membership table. Video also available on-line: [www.fccimn.com](http://www.fccimn.com) Click on the Community tab and then click

## 2012 FCCI Board of Directors Calendar

Board meetings are held 6:30-9pm at Redeemer Lutheran Church, unless otherwise noted.

October 16, November 20, December TBA.

All members are welcome to attend, observe, or participate in the open comment period. Contact the president for open comment guidelines. [fccimn@gmail.com](mailto:fccimn@gmail.com)

**FCCI is now on Facebook! Keep up to date with local child care news, training, and more!**



**Family Child Care Incorporated**

# Message from 2012 President

## Happy Fall!



The FCCI Board wishes a **special thanks to Carrie Winter** for serving as Secretary for 3 years and as member-at-large this past year. Carrie has retired from family child care and returned to college full time. We wish her the best! At the November workshop, we will be voting in our elected officers, and it is a chance for us to ***invite you to again consider a role with the FCCI board***. Keep in mind that **FCCI is you**, child care providers who volunteer, that make this association so great and bring the training, resources, and support to our area. **Thank you** to all the wonderful providers who have served on the board, on a committee, or volunteered at the workshop. Remember, you will receive a complimentary banquet meal as a token of our thanks for your active participation at two FCCI events or workshops this year. Contact me, I will be glad to find a role that will work for you!

On October 28th the FCCI Board of Directors will meet at its **annual retreat**. We will discuss how the previous year went...goals met/not met and future goals. Do you have suggestions for FCCI? Please send me any thoughts you may have that will add to FCCI mission of providing support, education and resources to our childcare community.

Our Olmsted County licensors will be our presenters at the **November 12<sup>th</sup> workshop**. This will be a Q and A session, so send in your questions to [fccimn@gmail.com](mailto:fccimn@gmail.com) or you may submit written questions at the workshop.

Did you know if you want to transport children in your car you need to complete a specific 3 hour training every five years? FCCI is presenting ***"Child Passenger Safety" as a bonus free training on Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup> for all 2012 and 2013 FCCI members***. The training will begin promptly at 6:30pm, sorry no late arrivals.

Take time to read all the very important information in this newsletter about the **Minnesota Child Mortality Panel** report, the recommendations to DHS, the many ways these recommendations can impact family child care, and how you can be involved. Plan to attend **our legislative event regarding this on October 23<sup>rd</sup>**.

**SAVE THE DATE:** May 4, 2013, MLFCCA is holding the state family child care banquet and conference right here in Rochester at the Kahler! New MLFCCA members receive a complimentary conference registration, watch for registration materials coming soon!

Happy Fall and Happy Holidays!  
Nita Higgins  
2012 FCCI President

# FCCI 2013 Annual Membership Drive

*The 2013 FCCI membership drive begins on November 1, 2012!  
Join us at the November 12<sup>th</sup> workshop for*



*The 50/50 Jackpot  
Annual Election of Officers  
\*\*Q&A with Olmsted County Licensors\*\*  
2013 Calendar Keepers  
Fall and Winter Die Cuts  
Pat Gentz, MLCCA Membership chair will share  
what is happening in child care across the state.*

*On-line membership purchasing begins on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Everyone who purchases a 2013 FCCI membership online between Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012 and 3pm on November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012, will eligible for the drawing for a gift card! Go to [www.fccimn.com](http://www.fccimn.com) to purchase your 2013 FCCI membership.*

*Providers purchasing their membership by mail (must be received by Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>) or at the FCCI workshop on Monday November 12<sup>th</sup> will also be eligible for another drawing for a second gift card!*

*\*\*Submit your questions for the panel to [fccimn@gmail.com](mailto:fccimn@gmail.com).  
You will have an opportunity to ask questions that evening as well.*



## **FCCI Election of Officers**

The Election of Officers to the Board of Directors will be held at the November 12th, 2012 annual meeting and workshop. Stacy Boysen, the Nominating Committee Chair will continue to accept nominations and additional nominations may be made from the floor at the November meeting if the so nominated is present or their written consent has been obtained.

### Slate of Candidates

President: , 1 year term  
Secretary: Shan Stewart  
Newsletter Editor: Stacy Boysen  
Sales and Purchasing Coordinator: Lee Vang

Information regarding all board positions is available in the About FCCI on-line at [www.fccimn.com](http://www.fccimn.com) Contact Nita Higgins at 286-8525 or [fccimn@gmail.com](mailto:fccimn@gmail.com) for more information. Candidate submissions can be sent to Stacy Boysen at (507)356-4972 or [fccinewslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:fccinewslettereditor@gmail.com).

# Sneak Peek at the 2013 FCCL workshops!

January 14: Taxes and Record Keeping - Tom Copeland

[www.tomcopeland.net](http://www.tomcopeland.net)

February 11: There's a Monster at My Table –

CCR&R Food Program

March 11: Balancing Learning through Behavior and Movement –

Catherine Burns

April 8: I'll Show You Mine, if You Show Me Yours – Deb Colling



May 13: Annual Provider Banquet– Jim Gill

[www.jimgill.com](http://www.jimgill.com)

June 10: Love & Logic – Angie

Ellsworth

August 12: Trainer and topic TBD



September 9: Simple Ways to Add Spanish to Your Day - Katie Seifert

October 14: SIDS/Shaken Baby Syndrome –

Michelle Gillard

November 11: Information/Q&A Forum – Olmsted County Licensing

## Join us for these great trainings!



FCCI Presents:

## Child Passenger Safety Training



**A Bonus Training Opportunity!**

Free to 2012 or 2013 FCCI members!

\$15 training fee applies to all non-members.

Date: Monday, December 10, 2012

Time: 6:30-9:30 pm

Location: Redeemer Lutheran Church

Instructor: Deborah Schroeder

# Car Seat Safety Training!

According to Rule 2, if a family child care provider wishes to transport child care children under the age of 9, he/she must complete Child Passenger Safety training (CPS). This training must be completed every 5 years. In this three-hour training providers will learn the correct use and installation of child restraint systems. This training fulfills this licensing requirement for transporting children in family child care.

If you are a 2012 FCCI member or have already purchased your 2013 membership, we welcome you to attend this bonus training for **FREE!** If you are not a member of FCCI, a \$15 training fee will apply and can be paid for by cash or check at the door.



September 9, 2012

**Hello FCCI members and fellow Child Care Providers;**

This past week the Minnesota Child Mortality Review Panel released its 20 page review of infant deaths in licensed family child care. It proposes changes to family child care licensure, training and oversight. These recommendations were presented to the Department of Human Services and then forwarded to the members of the Minnesota House and Senate.

We encourage you to read the full report found on the FCCI website [www.fccimn.com](http://www.fccimn.com) "What's New" or at [www.mlfcca.org](http://www.mlfcca.org). A two page summary is provided here for you. There are many recommendations, some are tweaks to the system and others are systemic and would change the face of family child care. **Please keep in mind that these are recommendations. Any change must be passed through the legislature. DHS will be pursuing changes this legislative session based on these recommendations.**

***You have the power to shape what comes out of these recommendations, so it will be important that every family child care provider finds at least one way to be involved in the process.***

**How you can be involved:**

- ☐ I will join the FCCI Advocacy Committee, contact Jackie 507-282-1799 or [fcciadvisor@gmail.com](mailto:fcciadvisor@gmail.com)
- ☐ I will attend a local meeting with legislators.
- ☐ I will write letters or make personal phone calls to legislators.
- ☐ I will write letters to the editor.
- ☐ I will be available to attend stakeholder meeting with DHS. FCCI has recently gained "a seat at the table" with DHS and other stakeholders. We need a number of providers willing to attend these meetings.
- ☐ I will support our state child care association, MLFCCA by purchasing a membership. MLFCCA and its Public Policy Committee will work directly with early childhood advocacy groups and legislators to ensure the best interest of family childcare providers. Membership materials available at FCCI workshops and at [www.mlfcca.org](http://www.mlfcca.org)
- ☐ I will join the MLFCCA Public Policy committee...you can **attend meetings by phone** and do not have to travel to the Twin Cities. Contact Dan Wielinski 651.999.5836 [Daniel.Wielinski@metrostate.edu](mailto:Daniel.Wielinski@metrostate.edu)
- ☐ I will submit my thoughts, opinion, and concerns on these recommendations to the MLFCCA Public Policy committee. Contact Katy Chase: Executive Director 651.636.1989 Ext 12: [katy.chase@mlfcca.org](mailto:katy.chase@mlfcca.org)

Specific questions about the report can be addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Children and Family Services Erin Sullivan Sutton at (651) 431-3830 or [erin.sullivan-sutton@state.mn.us](mailto:erin.sullivan-sutton@state.mn.us) or Inspector General Jerry Kerber at (651) 431-6597 or [jerry.kerber@state.mn.us](mailto:jerry.kerber@state.mn.us).

**Be informed!**

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Sincerely,  
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FCCI Board of Directors

The Minnesota Child Mortality Review Panel examines child deaths and near fatal injuries that occur in families known to the social services system and reviews deaths that occur in facilities licensed by the Department of Human Services. In May 2012, a subcommittee of the Panel was convened to further study deaths in licensed family child care homes and make recommendations. (Page1)

Minnesota has 10,936 licensed family child care homes and 1,578 child care centers. Thirty-four percent of the child care homes have a license capacity for 10 children; forty-two percent have a license capacity for 12 children; and twenty percent have a license capacity of 14 children. The remaining four percent of the homes specializing in infant and toddler care and are licensed for five to nine children. All the deaths that occurred in family child care homes were licensed for ten or more children. (Page 1)

**Table 1: Deaths in licensed child care by year**

Year	Deaths in licensed family child care homes	Deaths in licensed child care centers	Total deaths by year
2002	3	0	3
2003	5	0	5
2004	4	0	4
2005	5	1	6
2006	10	0	10
2007	6	0	6
2008	12	1	13
2009	8	0	8
2010	10	1	11
2011	11	0	11
2012 (as of August 1, 2012)	9	0	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>86</b>

Ninety-six percent of deaths in licensed child care facilities between 2002 and the first seven months of 2012 occurred in licensed family child care homes. Seventy-five percent of the deaths occurred when the infant was sleeping or in a sleep environment. Forty-two percent of the providers were issued licensing sanctions related to violations of safe infant sleep requirements. In eighteen percent of the infant deaths that occurred while sleeping, details about the sleep environment are unknown. Ten percent of the providers were issued licensing sanctions because they were found to be over capacity at the time a child died. In twenty-three percent of

the deaths in child care, the number of children present in the home is unknown because it was not documented in law enforcement reports. Five percent of the children died from choking; five percent died from abusive head trauma and nine percent died from a serious illness. (Page 2)

## Ratio Recommendations

The Child Mortality Review Panel is concerned about licensing capacity being a contributing factor in the child deaths in licensed child care. (Page 10) The Panel recommends that Minnesota adopt the national standards for capacity and ratio to ensure that children are adequately supervised and safe while in licensed child care. (Page 10)

**Table 4: NRC-kids ratios for large family child care homes and centers**

Age	Maximum child/staff ratio	Maximum group size
Less than 12 months	Two children/one adult	Six
13-23 months	Two children/one adult	Eight
24-35 months	Three children/one adult	12
3-year-olds	Seven children/ one adult	12
4-5-year-olds	Eight children /one adult	12
6-8-year-olds	10 children /one adult	12
9-12-year-olds	12 children /one adult	12

**Table 5: NRC-kids ratios for small family child care homes**

Age of children in care, including the provider's own children	Capacity
No children under age 2 in providers care	One-six children over 2 years of age in care
One child under age 2 in care	One-three children over age 2
Two children under age 2 in care	No children over age 2 in care

They recommend that when infants are in the care of a small or large group family child care home the ratio of two infants to one adult, detailed in Tables 4 and 5.[NRC-kids, Caring for Our Children, third edition]. The NRC-kids recommendations further clarify that when there are mixed age groups including infants and toddlers, the adult ratio and group size for infants and toddlers should be maintained. In large family child care homes with two or more caregivers/teachers caring for no more than 12 children, no more than three children younger

than 2 years old should be in care. (Page 8)

**Content taken from:** Review of Child Deaths in Minnesota Licensed Family Child Care Homes, January 2002-August 2012; Child Mortality Review Panel, Children and Family Services Administration, Minnesota Department of Human Services



## **Recommendations from the Minnesota Child Mortality Review Panel (Pages 13 and 14)**

### **Statutory and administrative rule changes**

- Make Minnesota licensing statutes consistent with the most recent recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics for safe infant sleep.
- Require a physician's authorization to permit a licensed child care provider to place an infant to sleep in any position other than on their back in a crib. The physician authorization form will be provided by DHS.
- Require all family child care providers hold liability insurance as a requirement for licensure.
- Require local social service agencies to conduct annual inspections for all classifications of family child care homes.
- Require that a child care provider's license be revoked when an infant in the care of a licensed child care facility is in an unsafe sleep position or unsafe sleep environment.
- Clarify that neglect includes an infant placed in an unsafe sleep environment while in the care of a licensed child care or foster care facility.
- Require annual training on reducing risks of Sudden Unexpected Infant Death and prevention of Shaken Baby Syndrome for licensed child care providers. Include in the course curriculum the risk of death to an infant and the consequences to the provider's license.
- Require licensed child care providers to complete Red Cross or American Heart Association classroom pediatric CPR and first aid training, pass a written exam and skills demonstration test for CPR certification prior to licensure. Online or video training courses cannot be substituted for the classroom course and skills demonstration test. Classroom and skills demonstration test must be repeated every two years.
- Modify license capacity and adult to child ratios to be consistent with the best practice standards established by the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education's "Caring for Our Children," third edition.
- Require applicants for a family child care license to complete 40 hours of DHS-approved pre-service training; require 24 hours of DHS approved annual training to be consistent with national child care standards.
- Require applicants for a family child care license hold a high school diploma, GED or equivalent. A waiver could be provided for immigrant applicants for a child care license if they earned a high school diploma, GED or equivalent before moving to the United States, but are unable to provide verification of their education.
- Increase the minimum age of child care "helpers" to 16 years old.
- Require applicants for a child care license to complete all required training before the initial license is granted.
- Replace in statute, the term, "Sudden Infant Death (SIDS)" with Sudden Unexpected Infant Death; replace Shaken Baby Syndrome with the more accurate diagnostic term Abusive Head Trauma to be consistent with current diagnostic terms.
- Expand sanctions to providers following a serious licensing violation.
- Require that providers must show competence to provide safe child care through a written exam to obtain child care licensure.
- Require family child care providers to observe sleeping infants at frequent intervals
- Require operating an audio/visual monitoring device used when infants are sleeping, in addition to in-person checks of infants every 15 to 30 minutes.
- Require providers to check on sleeping infants by looking for chest rise, skin color, skin temperature, along with recognition of crib safety issues.
- Require more intense supervision of infants during the first four weeks in a new child care home, and when an infant has an upper respiratory infection.

### **Increase public awareness**

- Add correction orders made by county social service agencies to family child care providers available on the DHS website on the Licensing Lookup screen.
- Provide information to parents on sleep safety issues and encourage them to observe their child's sleeping environment at a child care facility, and reinforce safe sleep position and environment for their infant.

### **Improve quality and consistency of oversight**

- Improve local practice to increase consistency in response to a licensing violation and child protection investigation in a licensed child care facility.
- Revise the child protection screening guidelines to clarify that a child maltreatment facility investigation is required when an infant is placed in an unsafe sleep environment or unsafe sleep position while in the care of a licensed child care provider.
- Review correction orders and negative actions issued by local social service agencies and DHS for consistency applied to similar violations.
- Direct licensing workers to complete the "Supervising for Safety" and "Reduce Risk of Sudden Infant Death" courses that are required for child care providers, to increase consistency among counties following a violation of safe sleep requirements or other safety violations.
- Consider developing a written competency exam for providers to demonstrate their knowledge of training content.

### **Training**

- Review materials used for training licensed providers on safe infant sleep and supervision during naps, and strengthen the training to be consistent with current American Academy of Pediatrics recommendations, include information on best practices on soothing infants to help them fall asleep. Update and revise training curriculum on safe infant sleep for licensing workers.
- Update the Minnesota Child Welfare Training System's child protection facility investigation course to include the American Academy of Pediatrics recommendations on safe infant sleep.
- Require all providers to complete eight-hour "Supervising for Safety" training.
- Require child care mentors, coaches, consultants and trainers to have safe infant sleep training.
- Provide communication to providers and child care organizations, including key messages about the reasons for the statutory changes involving infant safety.



# Your presence is requested!

Please join us for informational conversations regarding the recently released Minnesota Child Mortality Review Panel recommendations for licensed Family Child Care Providers that will be a DHS agenda item for the legislative session.

Redeemer Lutheran Church  
869 7<sup>th</sup> Ave SE  
Rochester MN 55904

Tuesday, October 23, 2012  
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

- Welcome/Introductions
- Mortality Panel Conversation
- Candidate Comments
- Questions
- Closing

The availability and accessibility of high quality child care concerns **everyone!**

- Olmsted County has approximately 511 licensed child care providers caring for 5964 children.
- Minnesota has approximately 10,896 licensed child care providers caring for 127,951 children.

The Minnesota Child Mortality Report is available at  
<http://mlfcca.org/associations/11524/files/DHS.pdf>

*FCCI is an organization of licensed family child care providers committed to developing and promoting high quality in our community through education, resources and support.*

# FCCI SURVEY

The FCCI Advocacy Committee is conducting a survey open to all provider, parents of children in family child care, and community members regarding recommendations in the recently released **Minnesota Child Mortality Review Panel** recommendations. These recommendations will guide the DHS legislative agenda for this upcoming session.

The survey is found at [www.fccimn@gmail.com](mailto:www.fccimn@gmail.com), linked on the home page right panel, called "SURVEY". It will be open through October 15, 2012. Please allow 15-30 minutes to complete the survey.

This is a great opportunity for you to participate in the discussion surrounding these recommendations. The results will be shared at our "Conversation with Legislative Candidates" on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 and also posted on the FCCI website.



[www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)

## Child Care Providers Your Guide to New Crib Standards

Beginning **December 28, 2012**, any crib provided by child care facilities and family child care homes must meet new and improved federal safety standards. The new standards take effect for manufacturers, retailers, importers and distributors on **June 28, 2011**, addressing deadly hazards previously seen with traditional drop-side rails, requiring more durable hardware and parts and mandating more rigorous testing.

### What you should know...

- This is more than a drop side issue. Immobilizing your current crib will not make it compliant.
- You cannot determine compliance by looking at the product.
- The new standards apply to all full-size and non full-size cribs including wood, metal and stackable cribs.
- If you purchase a crib prior to the June 28, 2011 effective date and you are unsure it meets the new federal standard, CPSC recommends that you verify the crib meets the standard by asking for proof.
  - Ask the manufacturer, retailer, importer or distributor to show a Certificate of Compliance. The document must:
    - Describe the product
    - Give name, full mailing address and telephone number for importer or domestic manufacturer
    - Identify the rule for which it complies (16 CFR 1219 or 1220)
    - Give name, full mailing address, email address and telephone number for the records keeper and location of testing lab
    - Give date and location of manufacture and testing
  - The crib must also have a label attached with the date of manufacture

### What you should do...

- All child care facilities, family child care homes, and places of public accommodation:
  - Must prepare to replace their current cribs with new, compliant cribs before December 28, 2012.
  - Should not resell, donate or give away a crib that does not meet the new crib standards.
- Dispose of older, noncompliant cribs in a manner that the cribs cannot be reassembled and used.
- Noncompliant cribs should not be resold through online auction sites or donated to local thrift stores. CPSC recommends disassembling the crib before discarding it.



# Olmsted County Licensing Notes

## Welcome to Fall and welcome back to school!!

With kids going back to school or new school-agers attending school, there are new issues to consider and be reminded of at all times. One of those issues is supervision, in the larger sense, when preschoolers are getting on buses and the bus company has a hand-to-hand rule, who do you have watching the other children in the house when you are walking the kid(s) to the bus or picking them up? The second issue is permission notes from parents. If you have school-agers that are walking to and/or from school, do you have permission notes signed by parents for their children to do so? You are ultimately responsible for those children during that time, so make sure everyone is aware of what is going on.



**Day Care Report Forms**--Licensing is no longer requiring you to submit these forms to your licenser, unless you are on a Conditional License status and you are required to do so, please stop sending in these forms. Thank you!

**Posting your License**--You are required by Minnesota Rule 9502.0335, subp 10, to post your license in a *prominent* place. (Prominent: clearly discernible; well-known or celebrated.) This means that you must post your license in a place where parents or perspective parents can visibly see it when they immediately walk into your home. If your licenser cannot see your license when they walk in to do your visit because it is out of sight or placed elsewhere, you can expect to get a correction order as a result. Any Correction Orders then must be posted directly next to your license for two years (MN Statute 245A.06, subd 8).



**Demonstrations**--During your licensing visits, you may be asked to demonstrate a number of items throughout the inspection process. As a licensed provider, it is very important to make sure you are very familiar with how everything works in your home that is required for child care. We want to make sure you are actually doing hands-on with the children and not “just talking about it” with them. Because just talking about certain safety issues will not save children’s lives. You and the children need to know exactly what to do in cases of emergencies.

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**Tammy Schettl—328-6219**



# CCR&R Outreach Notes

## ***Parent Aware Voluntary Ratings to Continue and Grow***

Parent Aware, Minnesota's Quality Rating and Improvement System, will continue in several areas and expand statewide in the coming years. This news means good things for parents, child care professionals and children. ***Parent Aware is beginning in Olmsted County in January 2013!***

Parents are asking for star ratings to help them identify child care providers/early educators who are committed to ongoing learning. In fact, a recent survey found that 96 percent of Minnesotans support Parent Aware star ratings as a way to connect with programs committed to excellence.\*Child care providers/early educators agree, with 92 percent of participants reporting that Parent Aware improved their quality.\*\* These child care providers/early educators report that Parent Aware makes a difference by supporting them throughout the process, from the preparation and learning to the award and promotion of their star rating.

### ***Learn more today!***

Attend a Parent Aware Information Session near you- (RSVP to Katie or Holly)  
October 4<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm-8:30pm at Child Care Resource & Referral-Rochester Office

Visit [www.parentawareratings.org](http://www.parentawareratings.org) or call your local Child Care Resource & Referral at 507-287-2020

Katie Wachter, Quality Coach 1 ext. 1591 [katiw@c2r2.org](mailto:katiw@c2r2.org)

Holly Jantzen, Quality Coach 1 ext. 1556 [hollyj@c2r2.org](mailto:hollyj@c2r2.org)

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## *Parent Aware:*

Minnesota's Quality Rating and Improvement System

*Parent Aware will be available across Minnesota by 2015.*

Over 90 percent of Minnesotans want caregivers who understand the latest best practices in early learning. They are asking for star ratings to help them identify programs committed to this type of excellence.

Parent Aware is here to help child care/early learning professionals respond!

- Learn the latest best practices.
- Receive support, grant dollars and training.
- Reach for the Stars.
- Celebrate your quality!

Parent Aware **improves, supports and celebrates** the strengths of child care and early learning programs.







### 2013 Calendar Keepers are here!

Purchase your calendar keeper at the next  
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**Limited Supplies....get one while you  
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Starting October 1<sup>st</sup> - October 28<sup>th</sup>,  
we will begin our 24<sup>th</sup> season of  
creating Magical Moments. Open  
every day from 10:00 am to 5:30 pm.

Visit us at [www.tweite.com](http://www.tweite.com) to learn  
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FCCI as an association is a member of  
the Minnesota Licensed Family Child  
Care Association (MLFCCA) and the  
National Association for Family Child  
Care. (NAFCC) Individual provider  
memberships are available.

*Check them out and see what they  
can offer you!*

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# FOCUS ON THE CHILDREN



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The 2013 Focus Conference will be held on April 12-13, 2013. Visit  
the "Focus on the Children Conference" Facebook page for more  
information and to stay informed as planning moves forward. This is  
the largest Early Childhood Professionals Conference in Southeast  
MN and it offers 7+ hours of MNCPD approved training. We hope to  
see you all there! 

## On-Line Die Cut Ordering

Can't make it to the monthly workshop  
to purchase die cuts?

Purchase FCCI die cuts from the FCCI  
website!

You choose the die cut and color stock!

[www.fccimn.com](http://www.fccimn.com)

Provider Page

On-line Die Cut Pre-Orders

## ADVOCACY

[www.childcareworks.com](http://www.childcareworks.com)



Sign up for email alerts and be in the know about upcoming legislation that will affect your child care business

### Check out what is happening in child care across the state...

MLFCCA's quarterly newsletter is linked on the FCCI website Provider Page



Minnesota Licensed Family Child Care Association



## ADULTS & CHILDRENS ALLIANCE

### Get your child care business in shape!

#### ► USDA Child & Adult Care Food Program

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- Access to Accident & Liability Insurance with budget friendly 8 payment option
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Name FCCI (2004)  
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## ADULTS & CHILDRENS ALLIANCE

A not for profit organization • Nosotros hablamos Espanol.

(800) 433-8108 • [www.acainc.org](http://www.acainc.org)

Email: [childcare@acainc.org](mailto:childcare@acainc.org) • [cacfp@acainc.org](mailto:cacfp@acainc.org)

2885 Country Drive Suite 165 St Paul, MN 55117-2621

### Product Recalls and Safety News:

US Consumer Safety Commission

[www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)

or

1-800-638-2772

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**Craig L. Ward, CIC**  
**1-800-354-9273**  
[craigward@tds.net](mailto:craigward@tds.net)

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#### Minnesota Licensed Family Child Care Association Food Program

- FREE Minute Menu Kids Software
- ECIPS Birth-3 & 3-5 years handbook
- FREE FUN activities for children in your care
- CREATIVE ways to introduce new foods
- CHILDCAREPAY for electronic payments from parents
- FREE access to online Calendar-Keeper

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Member Benefits & Recognition | Mentorship & Professional Development | Ongoing Support | Joint Membership NAFCC

#### Join Today

Contact MLFCCA  
651-636-1989 | 800-652-9704  
[www.mlfcca.org](http://www.mlfcca.org)





## Family Child Care, Inc 2013 Membership Registration

### Annual Individual Membership Fee - \$40.00

Please make checks payable to: FCCI

**FCCI memberships are January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013**

- ☐ I am a licensed provider and new FCCI member  
☐ I am a licensed provider and a renewing FCCI member  
☐ I am unlicensed or a community member and am an Advocate Member.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Yes, add my email to FCCI's monthly E-news

\_\_\_\_ No, do not add my email to FCCI's monthly E-news

**How will you volunteer with FCCI in 2013?**

- \_\_\_\_ Board Member Position  
 \_\_\_\_ Volunteer @ meetings  
 \_\_\_\_ Preparing Die Cuts  
 \_\_\_\_ Banquet Committee  
 \_\_\_\_ Community Events  
 \_\_\_\_ Donation of a door prize

For office use
Membership _____
Database _____

**Do you want your licensed family child care business listed in the On-line Provider Directory?**

- ☐ Yes...please complete the information on the right panel.  
☐ No thank you.

**Please note:** Your directory information must be renewed each time your membership is renewed or purchased. If a membership is renewed or purchased and an on-line directory form for the current year is not included, the previous years' on-line directory listing is removed during the annual clean sweep in January.

**Mail Membership and Directory forms to:**

Kayla Abrahamson  
 1231 Harbor Drive SE  
 Rochester, MN 55904

## Family Child Care, Inc. 2013 On-line Provider Directory Form

Current members of FCCI can list their licensed family childcare business on the FCCI's website Provider Directory by filling out the following information or by submitting your listing on-line at [www.fccimn.com](http://www.fccimn.com). *If you do not have a computer, simply call the Membership Coordinator listed in your newsletter.*

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

(As it is to appear on the Internet)

**City and/or Section of Town:** (ie Rochester, NW) \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ages of care:** (check all that apply)

- \_\_\_\_ Infant/toddler only  
 \_\_\_\_ Preschool only  
 \_\_\_\_ Infant-preschool only  
 \_\_\_\_ School age only  
 \_\_\_\_ All ages

**Elementary School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Website:** (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**How do you want to be contacted?**

- \_\_\_\_ Telephone only  
 \_\_\_\_ Email only  
 \_\_\_\_ Both

**Is this an update to your current 2013 provider directory information?**

- \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No



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*2013 FCCI Memberships available on-line November 1,  
2012 and at the November 12 workshop.*