

ENRICHING THE COMMUNITY

A monthly publication for friends of Family Enrichment Network

Child Care Resource Center

Our Child Care Resource Center (CCRC) supports child care programs throughout Broome, Chenango, and Tioga Counties. Formerly known as Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R), the department has rebranded to focus more on the resources we provide to the child care community.

In May of 2023, Governor Hochul announced a \$500 million investment to bolster New York's child care workforce through the Workforce Retention Grant program. The funding offered the child care giving workforce in registered and licensed programs bonus payments, as well as funding to support child care programs' efforts to recruit new staff and retain existing staff to help the child care staffing crisis.

Family Enrichment Network's CCRC worked with New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) to assist child care programs in Broome, Chenango, and Tioga Counties to apply for the Workforce Retention Grants. Throughout the three counties, 150 programs received funding payments totaling \$3.6 million. This much-needed funding helped the underpaid child care workforce in our area this past year! We continue to advocate for permanent early childhood workforce funding to sustain the progress made in child care worker salaries.

For more information about Family Enrichment Network Programs, please visit us at www.familyenrichment.org or call (607) 723-8313.



The mission of Family Enrichment Network is to provide supportive services for the optimal development of children and families. We believe in coordinating children and family services using a comprehensive and collaborative approach to improve their quality of life while ensuring the greatest value for our investment in child, adult, and parent development.