

# VIRTUAL FORUM

Emergency Funding for Childcare Providers



## CARES Emergency Funding for Childcare Providers

The Office of Early Learning has an important announcement regarding **Emergency Funding for Child Care Providers**. Using the federal CARES Act funding, the State of Florida has allocated a *minimum* of \$1,200 to *eligible* child care providers, even if you are not contracted with your local early learning coalition. Please read below as you may qualify for some of the funding opportunities.

*The criteria for the two different phases of funding is provided below.*

### Phase 1 Funding

Providers who were open for business as of April 30, 2020 must meet all of the following:

- Provider must complete a Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) profile at: <https://providerservices.floridaearlylearning.com>
  - (Click button below to download the quick tip guide to assist you in completing your profile.)
- Provider has not received any Class I DCF violations within the last 12 months
- Provider is not on the USDA disqualified list
- Provider did not have an ELC contract terminated for cause within the last 5 years
- Provider completes a W-9 IRS form

### Phase 2 Funding

Providers who were closed on April 30, 2020 must meet all of the following:

- Provider has a plan to reopen by August 1<sup>st</sup>
- Provider must complete a Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) profile at: <https://providerservices.floridaearlylearning.com>
  - (Click button below to download the quick tip guide to assist you in completing your profile.)

- Provider has not received any Class I DCF violations within the last 12 months
- Provider is not on the USDA disqualified list
- Provider did not have an ELC contract terminated for cause within the last 5 years
- Provider has either Gold Seal Accreditation or CLASS composite score of 3.5 or higher
- Provider completes a W-9 IRS form

**We encourage ALL childcare providers to find out when your local ELC's application due date for this additional funding is ASAP.** To get more information about this program, please visit your ELC's website, contact their Child Care Resource and Referral, or attend next week's webinar (more details below).

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## **CARES Emergency Funding Webinar**

### **Thursday, July 16, 6 PM, via Zoom**

In light of this announcement, we thought it was the perfect time to reconvene our Thursday virtual forums. Our first topic will be dedicated to understanding how to apply and receive these emergency funds, even if you are not an ELC contracted provider. Our thanks to the Directors Chapter leaders, **Victoria Damjanovic** and **Hilary Nelson**, for hosting this webinar. Like previous sessions, the first hour will be education focused including a Q&A session with **Erin Smeltzer**, Executive Director, Association of Early Learning Coalitions, and **Chris Duggan**, Executive Director, Florida Association for the Education of Young Children. The last half-hour will allow opportunity for small group networking to check-in with your peers across the state.

Register for Webinar

*If you have any questions, please contact Chris Duggan, Executive Director, at [cduggan@flaeyc.org](mailto:cduggan@flaeyc.org).*

**"The opposite of networking is NOT working."**

-Someone Smart

**Florida Association for the Education of Young Children**