

What is NJ First Steps Infant Toddler Initiative?

NJ First Steps is a state-wide infant/toddler initiative funded by the New Jersey Department of Human Services Division of Family Development. CCCC of Union County serves as the lead agency for the initiative in the Central Region of the State covering Union, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Somerset, Hunterdon, and Ocean Counties.

Our primary goals are to improve the quality of infant/toddler care throughout the state and to increase the availability of quality infant toddler early care programs.

In order to achieve our goals, we offer **free** professional development workshops by specialized trainers, to present best standard practices that address the needs of infants and toddlers. Workshop participants will receive clock hours and CEU's (Continuing Education Units), which can be used toward the hours required for: the New Jersey Infant/Toddler Credential, CDA renewal hours, NJ Office of Licensing annual training hours, family child care registration renewal, and NJ Registry annual renewal hours.

On-line Registration

Workshop registration is done on-line ONLY. To register for a workshop visit www.njccis.com and follow the simple steps below:

If you already have a NJ Workforce Registry membership, you can click on "Log In" and fill in your information accordingly.

If you are not a member of the NJ Registry, on the right hand side of the screen you will click on **"New to the NJCCIS? Create your account now"**. For help with creating a NJ Registry account, call NJ Workforce at 1-877-522-1050.

Training Certificates

Certificates are not given out at trainings. For proof of attendance, participants must log into their account and click on "Professional Profile". Then, click on "Professional Development & Certifications"

For more information about NJ First Steps Training call Alicia at 973-923-1433 Ext. 124 or email at ajenks@cccunion.org

The NJ First Steps Infant/Toddler Initiative also provides technical support to family child care providers and child care centers with infants and toddlers. To learn how an Infant Toddler Specialist can come out to your program email

firststeps@cccunion.org

**Website: www.cccunion.org
Facebook: CCCCUnionCounty
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A Statewide Infant/Toddler Initiative
Central Region

Infant/Toddler Initiative 2018/2019 Training Calendar



**Trainings are listed
Bi-Annual**



2 City Hall Plaza, 3rd Floor
Rahway, NJ 07065
Phone: 973-923-1433



Beyond Counting: Math in the Infant/ Toddler Classroom

*This training will take place at ECYC
92 East Grand Ave. Rahway, NJ 07065*

July 15, 2019 6:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

In this workshop participants will learn that infants and toddlers are capable of learning math concepts when presented in a developmentally appropriate manner. Participants will identify age-appropriate math concepts such as spatial relationships, measurement, and knowledge of patterns. We will discuss how math naturally occurs in the Infant/Toddler classroom and brainstorm ideas on how to embed math in everyday routines and activities.

Continuity of Care

July 15, 2019 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Infant/Toddler caregivers will explore the importance of the continuity of care in Infant and Toddler programs.

Normas de Aprendizaje Temprano - Del nacimiento hasta los tres años - Dominio/Campo 5: Desarrollo Físico y Motor.

July 15, 2019 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Los participantes podrán desarrollar destrezas físicas y motoras para mejorar la salud y bienestar de los niños.

Cognitive Development Domain 4 Birth to Three Early Learning Standards

August 8, 2019 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Infant/ Toddler caregivers will explore the multiple ways in which the NJ Birth to Three Early Learning Standards supports the children within their care.



Language Development and Communication Domain 3 Birth to Three Early Learning Standards

August 19, 2019 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

This workshop will provide teachers with effective communication strategies. We will take a closer look at three components of language development and communication.

The Brain Architecture Game

September 23, 2019 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

In this hands-on experience, participants will explore how positive experiences, tolerable stress and toxic stress can impact the structure and development of the brain.



How to Enroll to Community Coordinated Child Care Trainings

- Go to www.NJCCIS.com and log in to your account.
- Click on the "Registry" tab and click on "Find Professional Development & Training Classes"
- Scroll down and click on the "Advanced Search" button
- Go to "Select Field to Search" dropdown menu and choose "Training Agency"
- Once you've selected "Training Agency", use the drop down menu to the right to select "Community Coordinated Child Care of Union County" and then select "Search"
- This will display all available online trainings.
- Click on the pencil button on the left hand side of the page in the column listed "Select" Scroll down the page to find the training you have selected and click "Register for this event"

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