

Supports Available for the Early Years and Child Care Sector in Halton

Halton Region, Children's Services			
Call your designated contact. If unknown, contact 311			
Program Support Services	Resource Consultants	Program Analysts	Child Care Representatives
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with operators to assess current challenges in the system and provide supports for the sector, based on current needs. Create, support and facilitate Communities of Practice for supervisors, executive directors and owners/operators to address common challenges and support networking and the sharing of effective practices. Collaborate and coach individual child care supervisors to overcome challenges that exist at the leadership level. Facilitate team building at the request of child care leadership. Facilitate centre service coordination with child care programs and other service providers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote and support the inclusion of children with special needs in child care. Support educators with identifying concerns about children's development. Coach educators in assessment, environmental accommodations, development of strategies and implementation plans for children with special needs. Provide professional learning opportunities for individual centres or clusters of centres to build educators' capacity related to inclusive practices and early intervention. Facilitate networking across the clusters to increase opportunities to share experiences related to inclusion. Participate in centre service coordination and facilitate service coordination with the centre, family and other service providers for children involved with inclusion. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribute communications and information to operators regarding funding. Work with operators as the primary contact for any funding or agreement questions. Reconcile all funding submissions and respond to any inquiries. Receive, review and analyze all rate submissions and provide operators with support to complete rate applications, if required. Provide log in information and training to operators for the Ontario Child Care Management System Web Record of Attendance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connect with families to determine eligibility for child care subsidy. Support operators with any questions or changes regarding families in their programs receiving child care fee subsidy, including but not limited to age group or placement changes, absences, transfers and/or terminations. Enter child placements and schedules on Ontario Child Care Management System based on information provided by parents and operators. Review Ontario Child Care Management System Web Record of Attendance for accuracy and resolve discrepancies with operators and/or families for accurate payments.

The Halton Resource Connection		
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Quality First Consultants	Support Facilitators	Resource Library
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support educators in navigating re-opening provincial guidelines. Support educators with implementing <i>How Does Learning Happen?</i> Facilitate networking opportunities to share experiences related to re-opening and <i>HDLH?</i> Support and guide educators in understanding how to foster strong adult-child relationships. Collaborate and coach educators to overcome challenges that exist in their programs. Support educators in developing self-evaluations and goal setting for their classrooms until they feel confident that they have met their goals. Support centre service coordination with child care programs and other service providers. Provide professional learning opportunities to educators related to quality child care. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide hands on support for the whole classroom, so educators can provide individualized attention to specific children and challenges within the classroom. <p>NOTE: Requests for Support Facilitators are made by contacting Inclusion Supervisor/ Manager of the agency affiliated with your centre.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equipment and resources available by using online booking system. Curbside pickup and drop off is available, including lamination, bins and equipment. Coordinate and manage all personal protective equipment orders for the community, including online requests and delivery. Provide professional learning opportunities, resources and materials to support educators working with children