

# The 4C Connection

From Our Services to Yours

Summer 2021



4C For Children

4C For Children is the Child Care Resource & Referral Agency (CCR&R) serving the Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Washington, and Waukesha Counties in Southeastern Wisconsin



Dear Early Childhood Providers and Friends of 4C,

On Friday, June 25, 2021, our team suffered a terrible loss. Our YoungStar Quality Coach, Ms. Bettie Wells passed away unexpectedly. Bettie was a dedicated early childhood professional, and we will miss her greatly. We understand this message may be difficult to process. We will share any plans to celebrate the accomplishments of Ms. Bettie Wells and all of the positive impact and influence she has had on the field during her long-term career in Early Childhood.

Respectfully,  
4C For Children

**4C For Children's offices are currently closed to the public.**

**Our staff continues to work remotely during this time to provide all of our program services. If you have any questions, please reach out to us.**

***The Milwaukee Office has a mail slot in the grey door located to the left of our main entrance for dropping off any correspondence.***

**Child Care Referral Line:** (414) 562-2676    **YoungStar Department:** (414) 267-3434  
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### REMINDER!!! Update your Email and Phone

**Do you have a new phone number or email address? Are you receiving emails from DCF about grants and funding opportunities? Email has become the most common way to share information with providers.**

If you aren't receiving important updates from DCF or 4C, you should log into the Provider Portal and update your email address and phone number. Parents also use this information to call you if they are looking for child care.

You can check what email and phone number are on file by logging into the Child Care Provider Portal here <https://mywchildcareproviders.wisconsin.gov/login>

Vacancies in your program???

Let us know!!!  
Call our resource and referral department at 414-562-2676

Or email us at 4c@4cfc.org



Is there a child in your care who you feel...



Exhibits frequent and/or extreme challenging behaviors?



Takes too much of your attention away from the other children in your care because of challenging behaviors?



Is becoming a concern to you and/or the other families you serve?



You have tried to help with every trick up your sleeve, but nothing seems to work?



You are considering asking the family to leave your program?

If you answered "Yes" to two or more questions, Behavior Help Wisconsin is ready to help!

Behavior Help Wisconsin assists child care providers feeling challenged by the behavior of a child. We deliver one-on-one coaching so you can have the tools, knowledge, and skills to reduce challenging behaviors and promote positive ones in your program and can assist with an intervention plan to support the program. Please call 414-267-2676 for more information.

## 4C Food Program News

### Happy Anniversary!

Thank you to **Amy Wald** and **Bai Lee** for 30 years enrolled in the CACFP! This year marks a significant milestone of your service to the CACFP and we are truly grateful for your contribution and dedication to 4C CACFP. Thank you for staying with us through the years and Happy Anniversary!

### 2021-Annual Child Update and Re-Enrollment time is here!

Once a year, annual upgrades are required. This is when the CACFP requires that all children enrolled in the CACFP be updated. As a result, all children enrolled in the 4C Food Program before June 1, 2021, must be Re-Enrolled. Children who have not been updated or re-enrolled will be removed from the program and will not be eligible for reimbursement until their enrollment has been updated. Check your email for more information.

**Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) COVID-19 Information** To learn more of USDA- Covid 19 Waivers and Guidance, make sure you Visit; <https://dpi.wi.gov/nutrition/coronavirus/cacfp>

**Effective July 1, 2021. Tier 2 provider are now eligible for Tier 1 rates. This is significant for Tier 2 providers, since they were not getting reimbursed on the same pay scale as a Tier 1 providers. Not a member of the 4C Family Food program???** Call us at 414-562-2652 to enroll.

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/child-nutrition-response-93>

**New Role** - Julie Sosa will take on a role as a CACFP Enrollment Specialist. Her new role will be enrolling new providers in the CACFP virtually. Julie will continue to oversee a fraction of her participating providers, mostly in Racine, Kenosha and South of Milwaukee.



## YoungStar News

Onsite Technical Rating and Technical Consultation YoungStar visits have returned! Discuss this option with your Quality Coach for more details. Safety protocol is followed including masks, shoe covers, gloves and social distancing. Our staff will follow your program's Covid-19 protocol!

The 2021/2022 Evaluation Criteria offers new opportunities for 3-star rated programs to request a formal rating. Don't miss this opportunity for your program to receive an onsite observation using the new ERS-3 tools and a personalized feedback session.

2021 optional off-year services are available to everyone! Please watch for your off-year services contract. This is a perfect time for the implementation of new practices in your program. Enriching Developmentally Appropriate Environments (DAE), High Quality Practices - Child Portfolios, Curriculum Alignment with Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards, Intentionally Planning or preparing for your first formal rating...your Quality Coach is here for you!

### Reminders

- Is your Registry Program Profile up-to-date? Make sure you are removing staff and updating opened/closed classrooms as needed. Laying off a teacher is a reason to remove them from the classroom!

<https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/files/youngstar/pdf/keep-program-profile-updated.pdf>

- Licensors are back doing visits. Here is what you can expect:

<https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/files/press/2020/covid/licensing-visits-expectations.pdf>

- Starting to look for continuing education options? Check out current offerings at 4C for Children: <https://www.4cfc.org/courses/> Be sure to look at the BOGO21 deal!

## Training News

Looking for Intro classes for new staff? Need to complete your continuing education hours? The 4C training department can help.

Visit our website at <https://www.4cfc.org/courses/>

Coming soon...CPR classes are returning. Keep an eye on the 4C For Children Facebook page and website...we'll announce dates there.

Keep your  
program profile  
up-to-date!  
<https://www.theregistry.org/>