

Statewide Partnership Model for QUALITYstarsNY: A CCR&R Proposal



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What is Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R)?

CCR&Rs take the guesswork out of finding and paying for child care.

- CCR&Rs help more than 55,000 families find, evaluate, or pay for child care each year.

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CCR&Rs increase the supply of quality child care.

- CCR&Rs train more than 14,659 child care providers a year.
- Provided 35,000 units of basic and intensive technical assistance.

What is Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R)?

CCR&Rs help create child care solutions for communities.

- CCR&Rs conduct community needs assessments, as required by their contracts.
- CCR&Rs analyze and report on child care supply and demand to their communities.

What is Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R)?

CCR&Rs build brighter futures.

- Child care resource and referral meets a need that no one else does - providing the bridge between parents, providers, community leaders, and policy makers.
- By offering a unique blend of direct services and planning expertise, CCR&Rs help families and communities ensure that their children arrive at kindergarten ready to succeed.

What Do CCR&Rs Do?

Parents

- Provide information to make an informed child care decision by helping them identify options and to match their needs with available services.
- Provide information about child care regulations, answer questions about child development and behavior and assist in helping parents identify quality care

What Do CCR&Rs Do?

Providers

- Provide training and technical assistance to help providers provide high quality services.
- Recruit new providers in areas of limited care options and assist in the regulatory process.
- CCR&Rs are available to answer questions on regulations, professions development, child development and behavior, and developmentally appropriate care for children.

What Do CCR&Rs Do?

Community agencies, local governments and employers

- Provide information on community needs through a community needs assessment.
- Provide information about the growing body of evidence that the early years matter.

Why CCR&Rs are Involved with QualityStarsNY?

- The ECLC and the CCR&R Network have been involved in the development of a Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) for NY State since FY 2005-2006.
- CCR&Rs have the capacity to work with local parents, providers and communities in every county of the State.
- CCR&R agencies perform many functions that are integral to the implementation of QUALITYstarsNY (QSNY).

Why CCR&Rs are Involved with QualityStarsNY?

- With a solid network already in place, CCR&Rs can provide consumer education and provider support that is cost-effective and responsive to local needs.
- There is no statewide network of services that has more experience with community liaison efforts than the CCR&R agencies.

How CCR&Rs Can Support QualityStarsNY?

- Parent outreach and orientation to the QUALITYstarsNY system and standards.
- Consumer referrals to QSNY-rated programs in their area (the existing CCR&R database software is already programmed to provide and track these referrals).
- Program and provider outreach, recruitment and orientation to QUALITYstarsNY.

How CCR&Rs Can Support QualityStarsNY?

- Assisting QUALITYstarsNY participants with the development of program improvement plans based on QSNY assessments.
- On-site Technical Assistance and mentoring designed to implement quality improvement plans and advance programs along the quality continuum.
- Specialized Technical Assistance provided by Infant/Toddler Specialists and Child Care Health Consultants (existing positions).

How CCR&Rs Can Support QualityStarsNY?

- Localized application and management of grants and stipends that serve as QSNY incentives (similar to the current health & safety grants administration performed by most CCR&Rs).
- Provide a continuum of learning opportunities in many formats, schedules and locations.

How CCR&Rs Can Support QualityStarsNY?

- Provide CDA training, accreditation support, and other quality improvement programs.
- Community and consumer education on QUALITYstarsNY.

Our CCR&R Network Investment

Early Care and Education

Assist families with finding and affording quality child care

Healthy Kids

Address the health needs of young children in care



Family Support

Help families and children prepare to succeed in school and in life

Economic Development

Assist NYS working families to be productive employees and contribute to the economic development of their communities

Thank you!

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