

Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R)

What is Child Care Resource and Referral?

Indiana has 9 regional Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) organizations covering the state. These organizations are projects of the Indiana Association of Child Care Resource and Referral and the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration that promote quality child care by providing support services for families, providers and the community. Services provided to families at no cost include:

- referrals to local child care providers
- information on state licensing requirements
- information on availability of child care subsidies

CCR&Rs provide guidance by phone, in-person, and via internet that is tailored to individual families. Find the contact information for your CCR&R using the directory on the back of this fact sheet.

Finding Child Care

Understanding the differences between all of types of child care in Indiana and comparing quality among the options can be overwhelming. Your local CCR&R provides free, personalized referrals to legally operating care. Child care referrals from CCR&R are based on *Paths to QUALITY*, Indiana's child care rating system, giving you an easy-to-use tool to help you simplify your search for the best quality care for your child. Visit <https://secure.in.gov/fssa/childcarefinder/> for assistance in finding child care and to learn more about *Paths to QUALITY*.

Paying for Child Care

There are several options for financial child care assistance available to parents. Your local CCR&R can assist you with accessing your local Child Care Development Fund (Voucher Program) and help you explore sliding fee scales and multiple child discounts, as well as assist you in utilizing the Earned Income Credit on your taxes. Families are encouraged to use the Child Care Development Fund Fact Sheet available in this series.

Child Care for Children with Disabilities and Special Needs

The Indiana Partnership for Inclusive Child Care (IPICC) was created to improve access, quality and availability of inclusive environments for families of children with and without special needs. Each CCR&R employs an Inclusion Specialist who can answer questions about rights and responsibilities of both providers and families. These specialists also provide classroom or individual observations, on-site consultation services, training, and enhanced individualized child care referral services.

Resources

Your local CCR&R offers a wide variety of information and training. You may wish to connect with them to learn more about early childhood issues in your community.

☐ To find your
local CCR&R

Call:
1-800-299-1627

Or visit:

www.iaccrr.org

Indiana's Child Care Resource and Referral Organizations

<p>Early Learning Connections, Geminus CCR&R</p> <p>8400 Louisiana Street Merrillville, IN 46410 Phone: (219) 685-1500 Toll Free: (844) 685-1500 Web: http://www.geminus.org/About-ELC-2.html</p> <p>Lake, Porter, La Porte, and Starke counties.</p>	<p>Early Childhood Alliance</p> <p>3320 Fairfield Ave. Fort Wayne, IN 46807 Phone: (260) 745-2501 Toll Free: (800) 423-1498 Web: http://www.ecalliance.org</p> <p>Allen, De Kalb, Elkhart, Kosciusko, La Grange, Marshall, Noble, St. Joseph, Steuben and Whitley counties.</p>	<p>The Child Care Resource Network</p> <p>817 Woodmere Drive Lafayette, IN 47905 Phone: (765) 742-7105 Toll Free: (800) 932-3302 Web: http://www.thechildcareresourcenetwork.org</p> <p>Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cass, Clinton, Fountain, Jasper, Newton, Pulaski, Tippecanoe, Warren, and White counties.</p>
<p>Bona Vista Programs/Child Care Solutions</p> <p>123 North Buckeye Kokomo, IN 46904 Phone: (765) 452-8870 Toll Free: (800) 493-3231 Web: http://bvchildcaresolutions.org</p> <p>Blackford, Fulton, Grant, Howard, Huntington, Jay, Miami, Tipton, Wabash and Wells counties.</p>	<p>Chances and Services for Youth (CASY)</p> <p>Booker T Washington Community Ctr., 2nd Fl. 1101 S. 13th Street Terre Haute, IN 47802 Phone: (812) 232-3952 Toll Free: (800) 886-3952 Web: http://www.casyonline.org</p> <p>Clay, Greene, Montgomery, Monroe, Morgan, Owen, Parke, Putnam, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo counties</p>	<p>Child Care Answers</p> <p>615 N Alabama St., Suite 300 Indianapolis, IN 46204 Phone: (317) 636-5727 Toll Free: (800) 272-2937 Web: http://www.childcareanswers.com</p> <p>Bartholomew, Brown, Hamilton, Hendricks, Johnson and Marion counties.</p>
<p>Huffer Memorial Children's Center</p> <p>3413 W. Fox Ridge Ln Muncie, IN 47304 Phone: (765) 284-0887 Toll Free: (800) 554-9331 Web: http://www.huffermcc.org</p> <p>Delaware, Fayette, Hancock, Henry, Madison, Randolph, Rush, Shelby, Union and Wayne counties.</p>	<p>4C of Southern Indiana</p> <p>600 SE Sixth Street Evansville, IN 47713 Phone: (812) 423-4008 Toll Free: (866) 200-5909 Web: http://www.child-care.org</p> <p>Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Gibson, Knox, Lawrence, Martin, Orange, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh and Warrick counties.</p>	<p>Southeastern Indiana Economic Opportunity Corp. (S.I.E.O.C.)</p> <p>110 Importing Street Aurora, IN 47001 Phone: (812) 926-1585 Toll Free: (800) 755-8558 Web: http://www.sieoc.org</p> <p>Clark, Dearborn, Decatur, Floyd, Franklin, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley, Scott, Switzerland and Washington counties.</p>

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