



early childhood community development centre

## Home Child Care Visitors Network Meeting

Wednesday, October 20, 2010

9:00 – 11:00 am

Meeting Minutes

### **Meeting Highlights:**

- ▣ Agency Updates
- ▣ Fire Inspection Changes
- ▣ New training development opportunities

### **Information, Ideas and Tips Shared:**

#### ***Update on Agencies Activities***

- ▣ Region has clear licence. Approximately 138 homes. New Ontario Works will be providing training sessions again. Chris will bring binder to next meeting. Piloting HEAP (Healthy Eating and Parenting). Training for parents & children through Public Health. Sessions run 4 – 6 pm for 5 days. Focus on snack, literature and take home exercises & bag. Chris will bring information to next meeting.
- ▣ Wee Watch has 40 homes and covers whole Region. Provide extended and evening/weekend care. Approximately 146 children in care at this time, 85% of children are subsidized.
- ▣ AFSSN no report

#### ***Discussion***

- ▣ Fire Inspections for HCC Providers Inconsistencies in costs & rates charged. Pat will follow-up with City of St. Catharines.
- ▣ The Region has a new Fire Drill Form, also Outdoor Play Area, and transportation policy & forms. Chris will bring to next meeting.
- ▣ Copy of Region Providers Manual Chris will bring copies at next meeting.
- ▣ Wee watch has taken the ECERS and made a new document that meets their needs – Reach for the Top Pat will email copy to be circulated.
- ▣ Region & Wee Watch have newsletter that they will share at next meeting.
- ▣ The Bounce Back Series was identified as a good tool for use in HCC. Judy will send the link.
- ▣ Potential Start Up Training Development – next meeting
- ▣ ECCDC is preparing pass codes so that the HCC Agencies can input their QCCN stats directly through website – more information at next meeting

### **Training Opportunities**

- ▣ Possible Apprenticeship program for HCC – for further discussion at next meeting.

### **Work produced, actions taken or decisions reached:**

- ▣ Bounce Back Series link for agencies
- ▣ Pat to follow-up with Fire Inspection Changes
- ▣ New document from Wee Watch – Reach for the Top – Pat will email copy for circulation
- ▣ Development of Start Up Training – next meeting

### **Resources required for next meeting:**

- ▣ Chris will bring OW Training Manual, Information on HEAP, Providers Manual
- ▣ Pat will bring follow-up information on Fire Inspections
- ▣ ECCDC resource display
- ▣ Next Meeting date: **Wednesday, February 9 9:00 – 11:00 am**