

## Mission

To promote an effective exchange of information between Family Child Care and other Childhood Care and Education System partners in order to enhance the quality of care for the children in Oregon.



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## Oregon Registry Education Awards

### What is an Education Award?

This award is a financial incentive that rewards providers for educational achievements and encourages continued education. The award is provided to individuals, and supervisors, who are working at least 20 hours a week with children under the age of 13. The award amount is based on the professional development Milestone you have achieved. These Milestones are identified by a group of steps on the Oregon Registry.

For Child Care Division (CCD) licensed or Department of Human Services (DHS) active providers the Milestones are defined as:

- Milestone 1** means you have been awarded a Step between 3-6 and are eligible for \$100
- Milestone 2** means you have been awarded a Step between 7-8.5 and are eligible for \$250
- Milestone 3** means you have been awarded a Step 9 or above and are eligible for \$500

### How do I get an Education Award?

The Education Award will be available to all eligible providers currently on the Oregon Registry. The opportunity will be available to future applicants who meet the above criteria and have all Education Award forms complete and submitted to the Oregon Center for Care Development in Childhood Care and Education (OCCD).

•Providers will receive one Education Award per Milestone

•Providers will receive only one award per fiscal year (July 1 – June 30)

Packets will be sent out by the first week of May to those who have been awarded an Oregon Registry Step as of May 4, 2009. Providers who have their Oregon Registry application processed and approved after May 4 will receive an Eligibility Packet with their Oregon Registry Certificate.

### Where is this money coming from and how long will it be around?

The Oregon Center for Career Development in Childhood Care and Education has been asked by the Child Care Division to distribute financial Education Awards to providers who have been awarded an Oregon Registry Step 3 or above. The criteria for this distribution were established by a state level strategic investments partnership workgroup under the Oregon Commission for Child Care. Current funding for this award is from the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (economic stimulus) and The Oregon Community Foundation. The state level public-private strategic investment workgroup worked to establish the plan for distribution of these funds and is continuing to work on identifying strategies for continuation of these Education Awards.



Can't make it to a Nationals to hear Tom Copeland? Let OFCCN bring him to YOU!

**August 19th/20th, 2011  
with Tom Copeland as Keynote**

Tom Copeland, JD, is a renowned tax and child care business specialist. He trains thousands of family child care providers, trainers, and tax preparers each year on important business issues, including record keeping, taxes, marketing, contracts, and legal issues. Tom is also the author of many books and resources.



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## The Benefits?

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### **Option#1: Read an Issue of Exchange magazine**

**Step One:** Select an issue of Exchange magazine to read from the list online and click on "Add to Cart". (This program is unavailable for issues prior to the March/April 2010 issue.) Should you need to purchase a copy of an issue, add an issue to your cart.

**Step Two:** The online exam for each issue will be available just a few weeks after the issue mails. If you purchase the CEU for an issue prior to the exam being ready, you will be notified by email when the exam is available.

When you are ready, go to your My Account page on the Exchange web site and click on the link under Online CEUs to take the test. You will be brought to the UWS web site where the test is hosted. The test must be completed within one year of registration. With a minimum score of 80%, UWS will send you a certificate of completion along with your proof of one CEU, the equivalent of 10 training hours.

### **Option#1: Read an Issue of Exchange magazine**

**Step One:** Select the set of course readings you wish to take from the list provided online and click on "Add to Cart". Each set contains six to eight Exchange Magazine articles. Sets are designed for either teachers or directors, though some may be useful to both.

**Step Two:** Print out the course readings and study them at your leisure.

**Step Three:** When you are ready, go to your My Account page on the Exchange website and click on the link under Online CEUs to take the test. You will be brought to the UWS website where the test is hosted. The test must be completed within one year of registration. With a minimum score of 80%, UWS will send you a certificate of completion along with your proof of one CEU, the equivalent of 10 training hours.



# Seventeen Outstanding Child Care Providers Nationally Recognized

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 /PRNewswire-US-Newswire/ -- Seventeen outstanding child care providers were recognized for their commitment and dedication to providing outstanding quality child care at the "Third Annual National Child Care Providers Awards Ceremony" held today on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.

The ceremony was presented by public television stations KCET (Los Angeles) and WETA (Washington, D.C.) and the award winning PBS informational series A Place of Our Own and Los Ninos en Su Casa. The ceremony recognized the important role that child care providers play in raising pre-school age children and preparing them for Kindergarten. Members of Congress, including Congressmen Jim McDermott (D-WA) and Harry Teague (D-NM) and Congresswoman Linda Sanchez (D-CA), helped present awards. PBS President and CEO Paula Kerger spoke at the event.

"We are very pleased to honor these outstanding child care providers who have dedicated their life's work to teaching and providing quality care to young children," said Al Jerome, KCET president and Chief Executive Officer. "We are proud of these special people who play such an important role in children's lives and pleased that A Place of Our Own and Los Ninos en Su Casa can support them in this important responsibility of helping to prepare young children to succeed in school."

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, more than six in 10 young children in the United States are cared for regularly by a provider. A Place of Our Own and its Emmy® award-winning Spanish language companion, Los Ninos en Su Casa, have undertaken the role of providing useful information, guidance, and training for providers through broadcast and online support services. In fact, 80 percent of child care providers who watched the series reported learning better child care skills.

"The providers we recognize have all gone above and beyond in their commitment to providing outstanding, quality child care and I'm pleased we can take part in celebrating their dedication to children and recognize

the important role they play as our children's very first teachers," said KCET Executive Vice President and Chief Content Officer, Mary Mazur. "KCET and PBS stations throughout the country are proud to be part of a series that helps assist child care providers in carrying out their important responsibilities of caring for our communities' most precious resources."

The 17 national child care providers were all selected as "Caregivers of the Week" by public broadcasting stations in their area. They have been profiled on the programs as well as on the shows' websites at [www.aplaceofourown.org](http://www.aplaceofourown.org) and [www.losninosensucasa.org](http://www.losninosensucasa.org).

The seventeen national honorees are: **Luz Angelica Schuitt of Anchorage, AK; Carmina Mariscal of Green Valley, AZ; Lisa Weidknecht of Pflugerville, TX; Marcia Ahrens of Lakewood, CA; Diana Cataffo of Castle Rock, CO; Melbert Johnson of Washington D.C.; Regina Osborn of Panama City, FL; Natalie Kanaby of Lafayette, IN; Marnetta Larrimer of Bossier City, LA; Debra Walker of Bowie, MD; Nancy Mancha of Las Cruces, NM; Rosanna Nevells of Staten Island, NY; Maya Thomas-Bey of Cleveland, OH; Tonya Fetzer of Lucasville, OH; Nicole Chaudry of Seattle, WA; Laura Patino, Houston, TX; and Ruth Williams of Laramie, WY.**

KCET launched A Place of Our Own and its Spanish-language companion, Los Ninos en Su Casa in September of 2004 striving to meet the needs of child care providers. The two daily talk shows are devoted to the needs of caregivers, providing practical advice and tips dealing with issues such as discipline, education, nutrition, relationships, and more. The shows are produced at KCET and air nationwide on local PBS stations.

The two shows have been recognized with several national and local awards, including a Peabody, Parent's Choice, and Emmy.



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# OFCCN's 2010 Leadership Training "Staying Rooted in Your Community"

Starting on Friday night, guests were able to network with fellow providers, enjoy a snack, and participate in a few fun activities to start the training.

Saturday after breakfast, we had Co-Keynote speakers Barbara Sawyer & Elaine Piper talk about how to develop local, statewide, and/or national groups to provide us with what we need and what we want from such organized groups.

Later we had a panel of guests provide attendees with a variety of information such as how budget money is spent & how it filters down to affect providers as well as the parents we serve, what local organizations are available as well as the benefits of becoming involved in OFCCN, OAEYC, NAEYC, SHCCA, CCIS and other R&R agencies, and AFSME.

How local, statewide and national organizations can benefit providers by what services they provide as well as what you can contribute to them. Discussion about union, government, and local resource and referral networks were also some of the topics talked about.

The afternoon was mostly spent discussing how providers can become NAFCC accredited, the meaning of it, the benefits, how the process works as well as hearing from a couple providers and their journey to becoming nationally accredited.

Member discussion at the end of the training day was about what their goals were in developing or becoming familiar with their options for local, statewide, and/or nationally organized groups to help their business and leadership skills.

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# OAEYC 2010-2011 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR

Training in **BOLD** Sponsored or Co-Sponsored by OregonAEYC

<b>WHEN</b>	<b>WHAT</b>	<b>WHERE</b>	<b>WHO TO CALL</b>
March 5, 2011 Saturday	Parent Child Preschools of Oregon Annual EC & Parenting Conference	Athey Creek School West Linn, OR	Jamie Maier <a href="http://www.oregonpreschools.org">www.oregonpreschools.org</a>
March 12, 2011 Saturday	Provider Resource Organization Conf.	TBD	<a href="http://www.providerresource.org">www.providerresource.org</a>
March 29-30, 2011 Tuesday-Wednesday	NAEYC Public Policy Forum	Washington, DC	NAEYC <a href="http://www.naeyc.org">www.naeyc.org</a> 1-800-424-2460
<b>April 2, 2011</b> Saturday	<b>“Children Bring Communities Together” An Early Care &amp; Education Conference</b>	<b>Blue Mtn CC Pendleton, OR</b>	<b>Rheadean Hays 541-278-5957</b> <a href="mailto:rhays@bluecc.edu">rhays@bluecc.edu</a>
<b>April 8, 2011</b> Friday	<b>Articulation Summit: High School, Community, College &amp; University</b>	<b>Holiday Inn Springfield, OR</b>	<b>OAEYC 1-800-452-3610</b> <a href="http://www.oregonaeyc.org">www.oregonaeyc.org</a>
<b>April 8, 2011</b> Friday	<b>Infant/Toddler Symposium</b>	<b>Holiday Inn Springfield, OR</b>	<b>OAEYC 1-800-452-3610</b> <a href="http://www.oregonaeyc.org">www.oregonaeyc.org</a>
<b>April 9, 2011</b> Saturday	<b>OAEYC Professional Development Institute and Conference</b>	<b>Lane Community College Eugene, OR</b>	<b>OAEYC 503-496-3991</b> <b>1-800-452-3610</b>
April 9-17, 2011 Saturday – Sunday	Week of the Young Child and April is also Month of the Young Child	Nationwide	NAEYC <a href="http://www.naeyc.org">www.naeyc.org</a> 1-800-424-2460

Are you looking for more training? Check out the information at [www.oregonchildcaretraining.org](http://www.oregonchildcaretraining.org)

## OregonAEYC Membership

Combined membership in NAEYC and the OregonAEYC is your best value. Regular membership is \$65 per year, Students may join for \$55, or a Comprehensive membership, which includes six new books published by NAEYC, is only \$105. Membership must be in the name of an individual.

If you **have not been a member before** you can join on-line through [www.naeyc.org/membership](http://www.naeyc.org/membership)

If you **are currently a member or have been a member within the past 3 years** you can renew your membership and update your record on-line through <http://oldweb.naeyc.org/members/Member.asp>

- Be sure to select Oregon Affiliate membership to receive your Oregon benefits!

You can also print out an OregonAEYC membership Form in word or as PDF.

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/membership.htm

## Scholarships for Training!

If you are a Registered Family Child Care Provider, Certified Family Home or Center staff, staff of an After-school program or Head Start, there is professional development money available.

For information on scholarship assistance through the John & Betty Gray Early Childhood Initiative of the Oregon Community Foundation, contact the Oregon Center for Career Development in Childhood Care and Education.

For more information, visit: [www.centerline.pdx.edu](http://www.centerline.pdx.edu) and select scholarship program. Or contact the Scholarship Program at 503-725-8535 or 1-877-725-8535

# OFCCN Membership Information

## OFCCN Membership Benefits

- Multi-Association Discounts
- Online Newsletter
- Immediate online updates on classes or informative child care issues
- Membership Card that will give you automatic discounts on annual OFCCN conference

## Who is it for?

All registered, certified, accredited In-Home Family child care providers

**How can I get these Benefits?** "OPT-IN"! Either us at email address, [OFCCN1@gmail.com](mailto:OFCCN1@gmail.com) and have "Opt-in" in the subject line.. Or U.S. Postal service your request at:

**OFCCN**  
**P.O. Box 12752**  
**Salem, OR 97309**

## FAQ:

### What if I already get the newsletter via email?


Then you will start seeing the rest of your benefits taking shape very SOON!

### I'm confused... I thought I already was a member?

As an Oregon provider you receive certain services but as a Opt-In member you will receive the above bonus benefits! We are adding these wonderful benefits and want to hear from **you!**

### How much will it cost me?

Nothing! Just take the time to "OPT-IN" and we will do the rest!

 <p>Please email us, or send letter to <a href="mailto:ofccn1@gmail.com">ofccn1@gmail.com</a> or</p>	<p>This certifies that _____ has officially Opted-In as an OFCCN Member</p> <p>To continue receiving electronic newsletters and upcoming training information, please help keep our records up to date and current.</p> <p><b>OFCCN</b> <b>P.O. Box 12752</b> <b>Salem, OR 97309</b></p>
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### Membership Application

New \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Business, Agency or Child Care Association \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Military  No  Yes If yes, branch:  Air Force  Army  Coast Guard  Navy  Marines

Base/Installation \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about NAFCC?  Colleague  R&R  Association  Publication  Website  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of a child care association?  Yes  No  Local  State  National List: \_\_\_\_\_

What association benefits interest you?  Training  Advocacy  Newsletter  Discounts  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Family Child Care Provider?  Yes  No Enrollment Capacity: Infants  1-2  3-4 Toddlers  1-4  5-8  
Preschoolers  1-4  5-8 School-age  1-4  5-8  9+

Are you a Family/Group Child Care Provider?  Yes  No Enrollment Capacity: Infants  2  4  6 Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Toddlers  4-7  8-10 Preschoolers  4-7  8-10  
School-age  4-7  8-10  11+

Check all that apply:  Licensed  Registered  Certified  Credential  Accredited  CDA  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a CACFP Participant?  Yes  No

Are you an employee of an agency?  Yes  No If yes, please specify  R&R  CACFP  Licensing  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an officer or staff of an association?  Yes  No If yes, please specify  Local  State  National

Are you an Accreditation Observer?  Yes  No

### Only for Demographic Information

#### How would you describe yourself?

(Please select only one race.)

American Indian or Alaskan Native

Asian or Pacific Islander

Black, not of Hispanic origin

Hispanic

White, not of Hispanic origin

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 Male  Female

Are you fluent in English?  Yes  No Fluent in Spanish?  Yes  No

Fluent in any other language?  Yes  No Specify \_\_\_\_\_

Years childcare experience:  1-5  6-10  11-15  16-20  21-30  31+

Education:  Less than High School  High School Diploma

Some College  Associate Degree  Bachelors Degree  Masters Degree

Doctorate Degree  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Age:  18-24  25-29  30-39  40-49  50-59  60+

Income:  Less than 15,000  15,000-30,000  30,000-45,000

45,000-60,000  60,000-75,000  75,000-90,000  90,000+

#### Would you be interested in serving on any of the following NAFCC Committees? (Check all that apply.)

- |   |  |   |   |   |
|---|--|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accreditation                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Association Support & ALI | <input type="checkbox"/> Conference       | <input type="checkbox"/> Diversity and Inclusion  | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historian                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership                | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter       | <input type="checkbox"/> Nominations              | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Development (PDI) | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Policy             | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Representatives |   |

#### Please check your membership category:

- Individual Membership:** \$35.00
  - Provider**  **Parent**  **Advocate**
- Association Membership** (reserved for state and local family child care associations): \$70.00
- Child Care Agency:** \$140.00

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**OFCCN** is a communication link between family child care providers and agencies throughout the state of Oregon.

**OFCCN** gathers the provider's voice through the use of surveys, personal conversations, and provider participation at community meetings, conferences, and retreats.

**OFCCN** works with local communities, organizations, agencies,

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legislators, and other childhood care and education partners.

Please help **OFCCN** spread the voice of family child care providers. Our voices together will advance our profession and the quality of family child care in Oregon.

**OFCCN** invites you to share your concerns, thoughts, and ideas with us, so that we can help your voice be heard!

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