

New Child Care Provider Orientation 2024

Central Region

Before Attending an Orientation

Before participating in the Department of Human Services (DHS) Orientation, you must complete the Better Kid Care DHS Orientation training within year from the Orientation date. You will not be admitted to the DHS Orientation without proof of completion.

If you completed online training more than a year ago from the Orientation date, you must call Better Kid Care and request the training be reset for you. Then, you must allow a minimum of 48 hours for Better Kid Care to reset your account and give you access to this training again.

Completing the free and online Better Kid Care DHS Orientation Training

- Go to: www.extension.psu.edu/youth/betterkidcare/on-demand
- Click on *Sign in to On Demand*
- Go through the registration process
- Complete the lesson relevant for the Orientation Class you wish to attend.
 - Family: *DHS Orientation: Opening a Family Child Care Home*
 - Group/Center: *DHS Orientation: Opening a Child Care Center or Group Child Care Home*
- Email Certificate of Completion to RA-ocdelcertnchbg@pa.gov

Once you have completed the Better Kid Care DHS Orientation training, please contact an OCDEL staff to verify completion. You will need a computer or mobile device (like a cell phone) with a camera and microphone. You will also need to provide proof of photo identification (state-issued ID or Driver's License, or a valid passport).

**Attendance is MANDATORY as part of the Certification process.
ALL information presented in the session is important.**

Registering for the DHS Orientation

Pre-registration is required.

- To register, call 717-772-7078 or 1-800-222-2117.
- Please register for the date and time that best fits the type of provider: Family Child Care Home (FCCH), Group (GR), or Center (CTR).
- Orientations are held at:

PaTTAN Office Complex, Susquehanna Room 6340 Flank Drive Harrisburg, PA 17112 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM	Selinsgrove Training Center 1000 Route 522 Selinsgrove, PA 17870 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM
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- Plan to be on time for the DHS Orientation. No one will be admitted 15 minutes after the session begins and will not receive a Certificate of Attendance.
- Only two persons per legal entity may attend the DHS Orientation.
- Please make appropriate child care arrangements for your children. This will allow you and other participants to be fully attentive during the virtual session.
- If you are unable to attend the DHS Orientation after registering, please call 1- 800-222-2117.
- **Required for Admittance:**
 - Valid ID (Unexpired)
- **Recommended:**
 - Copy of the [Regulations Child Care Regulations](#)
 - Paper and pen/pencil for notes

ORIENTATION DATE	TYPE	LOCATION	TIME	CERTIFICATION REPRESENTATIVES
January 9, 2024	GR/CTR	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Judy Seybold & Amy Orner
January 10, 2024	FCCH	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Sharyn Lukens & Saralynn Shearer
February 13, 2024	FCCH	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Nina Walker & Suzanne Compton
February 7, 2024	GR/CTR	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Judy Peiper & Ashley Ripka
March 12, 2024	GRCTR	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Suzanne Compton & Nina Walker
March 13, 2024	FCCH	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Jaqueline Hawkins & Karen Ippolito
April 9, 2024	FCCH	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Amy Orner & Bill Huling
April 10, 2024	GR/CTR	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Catharine Morris & Jamie Esbenshade
May 14, 2024	GR/CTR	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Bill Huling & Amy Orner
May 15, 2024	FCCH	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Chad Kerchner & Jesus Soto
June 11, 2024	FCCH	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	New Staff & Nina Walker
June 12, 2024	GR/CTR	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Jennifer Morgan & Jamie Fulmer
July 9, 2024	GR/CTR	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Suzanne Compton & Bill Huling
July 10, 2024	FCCH	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Tanja Koons & New Rep
August 13, 2024	FCCH	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Amy Orner & New Rep
August 14, 2024	GR/CTR	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Aaron Spicher & Karen Ippolito
September 10, 2024	GR/CTR	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Nina Walker and Bill Huling
September 11, 2024	FCCH	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Ashley Ripka & New Rep
October 8, 2024	FCCH	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Suzanne Compton & New Rep
October 9, 2024	GR/CTR	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Chad Kerchner & Jaqueline Hawkins
November 19, 2024	GR/CTR	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Amy Orner & Bill Huling
November 13, 2024	FCCH	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Jamie Espenshade & Jesus Soto
December 10, 2024	FCCH	Selinsgrove	9:30 a.m.	Suzanne Compton & Nina Walker
December 11, 2024	GR/CTR	Harrisburg	9:30 a.m.	Aaron Spicher & Jamie Fulmer