



# Professional Child Care Provider Network Newsletter

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## *Special Points of Interest*

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## **FY19 Federal Budget In Action for Child Care**

Federal investment in child care, and the power of family child care  
*Update from NAFCC September 28, 2018*

In completing the work of the FY2018 federal funding decisions earlier in 2018, Congress approved the biggest increase ever for the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) – an increase of \$2.37 billion, nearly doubling the investment in the program. This investment is the biggest opportunity we've ever had to implement the law in ways that meaningfully support family child care as part of the solution for children and families.

More good news: Congress voted to maintain and continue the FY2018 funding levels for CCDBG for FY2019 – plus they added another \$50 million investment. This is good news for our work in the states to promote family child care. Find out more about what was included in the final package and why it matters to family child care at <https://www.nafcc.org/FederalBudget>

The work of promoting the power of family child care doesn't end here, though. States are making choices for how to use those dollars, and NAFCC, state associations, and partners that care about family child care are working to help states with ideas for these investments to reach providers and the families counting on us.

CCDBG is a top priority in NAFCC's federal policy agenda CCDBG matters to all of family child care - even if you don't currently enroll families who pay with assistance/subsidy. Tune into a recorded NAFCC webinar to hear about strategies and resources in the states; how states prioritize family child care - or leave out family child care; and how all of this connects to CCDBG. Access the recorded webinar here:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/recording/2541760110891210498> and read NAFCC's federal policy agenda here: <https://www.nafcc.org/Public.Policy>

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## Winter Hat, Glove, and Scarf Drive



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post NEWS please forward  
it to Alexis Isaac at  
[firststeps123@yahoo.com](mailto:firststeps123@yahoo.com)  
by the 25th of every month.



**Power to the Profession** is focused on advancing the early childhood education profession because it is the best and most effective way to improve outcomes for children and families. For Power to the Profession to be successful, **the voices and perspectives** of early childhood educators must be front and center.

### Help Shape the Profession

**Draft Position Statement “Professional Standards and Competencies for Early Childhood Educators” available for comment**

NAEYC has released the first public draft of its position statement on “**Professional Standards and Competencies for Early Childhood Educators**”. This is a revision of the position statement on “NAEYC Standards for Early Childhood Professional Preparation”, and it is driven by **recommendations in Decision Cycle 2** of Power to the Profession. This statement is owned by the field—that means your input is critical! On **Monday, October 15, 2:00–3:00 PM EST**, NAEYC will hold a webinar to give an overview of the position statement, to answer questions, and hear your feedback.



## Maryland College Application Campaign! #MDCollegeStrong

The Maryland College Application Campaign (MCAC) is participating in the American College Application Campaign #WhyApply social media contest! The contest promotes the college campaign and uses social media as a tool to interact with students and families. Take a selfie and let us know "Why should students pursue postsecondary education?"

Tag [@MdPublicSchools](https://twitter.com/MdPublicSchools) or  
[@mcacampaign](https://twitter.com/mcacampaign) and use [#WHYAPPLY](https://twitter.com/WHYAPPLY)  
[#MDCOLLEGESTRONG](https://twitter.com/MDCOLLEGESTRONG)!



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## Public Policy Alert

### Public Policy Handbook Now Available

The Maryland Family Network (MFN) Public Policy Handbook is now available [on our website](#). The Handbook is published each September as we begin a new season of advocacy work and plan for the opening of the General Assembly Session in January.

In it you will find a summary of the work we do at MFN and a description of the Top Ten Public Policy Priorities selected by ballot for 2018-2019, as well as information on other issues of concern to the Public Policy Committee. In the back of the Handbook we present updated data and resources, including the new income eligibility guidelines for the Child Care Subsidy Program.

### Gubernatorial Election

Tune in tonight at 7 p.m. on Maryland Public Television when Gov. Larry Hogan (R) and challenger Ben Jealous (D) meet for their only scheduled debate.

We are currently working to schedule two separate gubernatorial candidate presentations on child care, early education, and family support issues. Please stay tuned for more information.

And please be sure to vote. Election Day is November 6. Early voting begins on October 25 and continues through November 1. Voter registration is open through October 16. For more information, visit <https://elections.maryland.gov>

### Our Commitment

Since 1945, MFN has provided a strong voice in the General Assembly and state agencies for public policies that improve the quality of life for Maryland's children and families. Collaborating with parents and providers, advocates and government agencies, we have been a catalyst for the development of a strong system of child care, early education, and family supports on the local, state, and national levels. Together we will continue to be a powerful voice for children and families.



### Steering Committee Needed

PGCR is looking to create a committee of 4-8 self-advocates that would help to guide the future planning of PGCR through:

- Programming and activity suggestions
- Feedback from participation in our activities and programs
- Ways to create inclusion within the community.

Members of this committee would meet quarterly for about 1 hour.

For more information, please contact PGCR at 301-442-3708 or send an email to [PGCRemail@gmail.com](mailto:PGCRemail@gmail.com)

### Friday Bingo & Movie Nights at PGCR Free Admission



This FREE event is held once a month on the 1st Friday. This event is open to all., however there is no support staff available... Anyone under 13 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

Doors open at 6:15 PM . Bingo begins at 6:30 PM. Three games are played with prizes for the winners.

At 7:00 PM the movie begins . All movies shown are PG or PG-13, and Concessions will be sold at a low cost. Donations are gladly accepted.

While paper tickets are not required, we do ask that all register through Eventbrite at

<https://goo.gl/XEnQEq>

More information and the movie schedule can be found on our webpage.

Schedule of Movies to be shown:  
October 5th —Chicken Run  
November 2nd — Finding Dory

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

*Sponsored by PGCPs in partnership with PCCPNPGC, Inc.*

**FREE TRAINING FOR PCCPNPGC, INC. MEMBERS ONLY!!!**

**Date :** Saturday, October 27, 2018

**Where:** The Prince George's Child Resource Center, Inc.

9475 Lottsford Road, Suite, 202

Largo, MD 20774



**Time:** 9:00 am – 4:00 pm



To register, please copy and paste to url:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pccpnpgc-incpgcps-professional-development-day-tickets-50788573992>

Then enter password: **oct272018**

**Workshop 1:** “Tell Me a Story, Please” Stress-Free Storytelling for the Early Childhood Classroom (3 hours Core of Knowledge – Curriculum)

Presented by: Wolf Trap

**Workshop 2:** “Book It to Cook it!” (3 hours Cored of Knowledge – ½ hour Curriculum, 2 hours Health, Safety, & Nutrition, and ½ hour Special Needs)

Presented by: Linda Bratcher

### SCHEDULE

9:00 am – 9:20 am: Sign-In & Continental Breakfast **Provided**

9:30 am – 12:30 pm: Workshop 1: “Tell Me a Story Please”

12:30 pm – 1:00 pm: Lunch **Provided**

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm: Workshop 2: “Book it to Cook It”

**We love children, but this is an adult participant event only!**

**Space is limited! Registration is required!**

**Please be on time. The door will be locked after 9:20 am and no will be allowed to enter after that time.**

