

# OCCCA

Orange County Child Care Association

## President’s Message

Hello everyone!

I cannot tell you how ecstatic we are now that we can FINALLY tell you some AWESOME news! Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County is donating one of their conference rooms for our General Meetings! So, we have a new place for FREE and we can have all 5 of our dates for our General Meetings just like we used to have them!!!!!! We look forward to seeing you all there and to an amazing 2016!!!!

### 2016 GENERAL MEETINGS

January 11th                      March 14th                      May 9th                      September 12th                      November 14th

Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Orange County  
 1801 E Edinger, #101, Santa Ana, CA 92705

Our next General Meeting will be on Monday, March 14, 2016. We will be sharing the best craft EVER for the first few minutes, you will really love it, trust me! The second half of the meeting will be a “Breakout discussion”. Our theme for this meeting will be “Just Us”, come and bring your questions... concerns... thoughts... ideas... we want to share all things childcare... Wear green and think St. Patrick’s Day!

*Lee Allton*

**TRAINING TIP: Remember to put your clocks forward on March 13, 2016. Also, check all of your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide alarms!**

ALL AREA BAKE SALE

During our March General Meeting we are hosting a Bake Sale. All Areas are asked to participate by baking or buying and bringing a treat to sell. Cookies, brownies, cakes, candies are all welcome. Make it easy and have them pre-packaged and ready to go.

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# Area News

## North County

Susan Austin

Hope all of you wonderful Providers are having success in your child care businesses. Do you need help? Come to our General Meetings and Area Meetings. Be sure to mark your calendars for our next Area Meeting (Revised) on Monday, April 11, 2016 from 6:45-8:15 pm at Spires Restaurant in Anaheim at Ball Road and Euclid. Topic: Organizing and Networking. Do you need more children? Come and learn from Providers that are full. We will be sharing current health, safety, Licensing info and Public Policy. There will also be door prizes and craft ideas. Please bring non-member Providers to our Area Meeting and receive a gift! All areas welcome. We're sorry, no children are allowed at the meetings. Please RSVP to your North County Area Chair. Keep in touch weekly for updates and referrals. Join us and receive *Building Blocks to a Successful Child Care*.

## North County

Lynda Luistro

Hi All,

We are still getting calls for mostly infant care these days. There seems to be a baby boom, which is great for us.

Please see Page 3 for the new vaccinations we are required to have starting September 1, 2016. Check with your health insurance to see if they are covered or the health department.

## HB/FV Tena Madrid, Diane Palermo

Greetings!

Thanks to all of you who attended the January General Meeting. Your participation and support is always appreciated. We are planning our next area meeting to be held on April 20<sup>th</sup>. We are going to meet at Mario's restaurant on Beach Blvd. and Ellis Ave. (5 Points) in Huntington Beach at 6:30. Please RSVP to Tena Madrid or Diane Palermo via phone, text or email by April 18<sup>th</sup>.

See you at the next general and area meetings.



## South County

Lynn Hallas

I'm happy to represent the South County area this year as Vice President and I feel motivated and ready to help our area network together, not only as individuals but as a team! I feel we need this kind of support to help OCCCA grow as a whole and I also want to give back what OCCCA has given to me all these years as a confident childcare provider. I feel confident and ready to help you with any questions you may have about what is going on in our area as well as any support you may need as a provider. I've been talking with other local members and hope to have an area meeting sometime in April at Kristin's home in Lake Forest where you will get a chance to meet and greet other members in our South County cities as well as have a discussion on contracts we use in our daycare business as well what to include to protect your business and form a great communication. Feel free to bring a copy to share with others! I'll email you with further information as the time gets closer! Also, I truly hope to meet many of you in the coming year at the General Meetings as well at our new location in Santa Ana! Please take advantage of these important meetings to help you gain a better understanding more about what is going on in licensed childcare within Orange County and it also gives an opportunity for you to suggest an idea or give support to someone in need. Have a glorious Spring and I really look forward in assisting you in any way I can!



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## Help Host

We have consolidated our Areas into two groups (North County and South County). Each county is going to take turns hosting either the bake sale or the sign-in table. We are looking for two volunteers from each county to work each of these tables during our General Meetings. Volunteers would need to be at the meeting by 6:30 to help set up. If you are gracious and willing to help out in this capacity, please contact your Vice President.

North Co.: Susan Austin (714) 956-1492

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Thank you!



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### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) with your renewal to have a membership card mailed to you. Otherwise you may pick up your card at the next General Meeting

Questions?: Michelle Spoor (714) 222-4922



## NEW VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

SUBMITTED BY LYNDA LUISTRO

**SECTION 1.** Section 1596.7995 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

(a) (1) Commencing September 1, 2016, a person shall not be employed or volunteer at a day care center if he or she has not been immunized against influenza, pertussis, and measles. Each employee and volunteer shall receive an influenza vaccination between August 1 and December 1 of each year.

(2) If a person meets all other requirements for employment or volunteering, as applicable, but needs additional time to obtain and provide his or her immunization records, the person may be employed or volunteer conditionally for a maximum of 30 days upon signing and submitting a written statement attesting that he or she has been immunized as required.

(b) A person is exempt from the requirements of this section only under any of the following circumstances:

(1) The person submits a written statement from a licensed physician declaring that because of the person's physical condition or medical circumstances, immunization is not safe.

(2) The person submits a written statement from a licensed physician providing that the person has evidence of current immunity to the diseases described in subdivision (a).

(3) The person submits a written declaration that he or she has declined the influenza vaccination. This exemption applies only to the influenza vaccine.

(4) The person was hired after December 1 of the previous year and before August 1 of the current year. This exemption applies only to the influenza vaccine during the first year of employment or volunteering.

(c) The day care center shall maintain documentation of the required immunizations or exemptions from immunization, as set forth in this section, in the person's personnel record that is maintained by the day care center.

(d) Section 1596.890 does not apply to a violation of this section.

(e) For purposes of this section, "volunteer" means any non-employee who provides care and supervision to children in care.

# WEBSITE TRAFFIC 2015/2016

Last year we revamped our website. We thought you'd be impressed to hear that [www.orangecountychildcareassociation.org](http://www.orangecountychildcareassociation.org) had almost **80,500** Visits!

**Is YOUR child care business information and/or website listed with OCCCA?  
Make sure to get seen!**

## LAST YEAR (2015)

**80,469 VISITS**

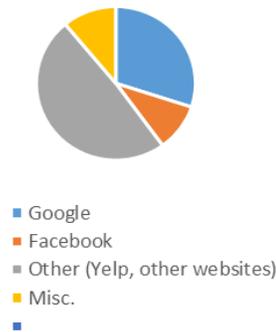
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Last Year 2015



## February 2016 (as of 2/23/1)

**2960 Visits**

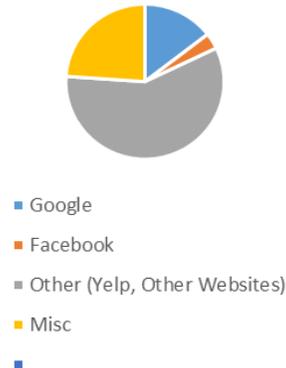
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This Month (as of 2/23/16)



## Last Month-Jan2016

**3710 Visits**

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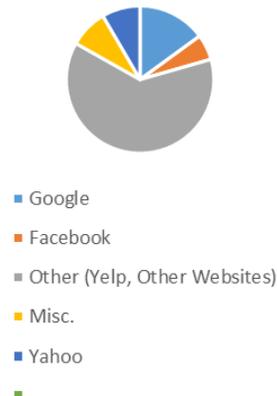
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Last Month-January 2016



# LEGISLATION AFFECTING CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

## **AB 290—NUTRITION TRAINING REQUIREMENT**

Beginning January 1, 2016, AB 290 will require for each new license issued, at least one director or teacher at each child care center or family child care home to have at least one hour of training in the importance of childhood nutrition. This applies to anyone submitting a new application, relocating their facility, selling their facility or transferring their license. This hour of nutrition will be added to existing requirements that providers receive at least 15 hours of child care preventive health and safety practices training, bringing the total amount of training up to at least 16 hours.

## **SB 277—IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILDREN**

Under a new law enacted by SB 277, beginning January 1, 2016 personal beliefs exemptions will no longer be an option for the vaccines that are currently required for entry into child care or school in California. Personal beliefs exemptions already on file will remain valid until the child reaches the next immunization checkpoint at transitional kindergarten/kindergarten or 7th grade. For more information about SB 277, please see the Frequently Asked Questions available at: <http://www.shotsforschool.org/laws/sb277faq/>.

## **SB 1154—USE OF PESTICIDES**

Requires licensed child care centers and public schools to meet three new requirement: if a licensee plans to apply pesticides that are not exempt from the HSA, they must do the following:

1. Develop an integrated pest management plan (IPM) using the template provided by the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR). Or if such a plan exists, submit a copy of it to DPR for review. Post IPM plan on the child care center Web site, or send out to all parents, guardians and staff with the annual pesticide notice.
2. Send pesticide use reports annually to DPR for pesticides applied by center employees. Reports are due no later than January 30 for the previous calendar year's data and must be submitted on a form provided by DPR.

AFTER JULY 1, 2016, YOU MUST DO THE FOLLOWING IF YOU APPLY ANY PESTICIDE:

3. Receive annual DPR-approved training in IPM before applying, any pesticide.

Implementation: This bill will be effective by the start of the 2015/2016 school year. The purpose of the HSA is to facilitate the adoption of effective, least toxic pest management practices at school sites in order to reduce children's exposure to toxic pesticides.

**FROM California Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing Division, Quarterly Child Care Licensing Update, Winter 2015. <http://www.cclid.ca.gov/res/pdf/CCWinter2015.pdf>**



Pasta salad skewers are fun. Fun for the kids to eat and even more fun to make. They're healthy and balanced. They may even give you the opportunity to talk about and demonstrate the mathematical concept of PATTERNS

### **Pasta Salad Skewers**

1 package cheese tortellini  
1 orange bell pepper  
fresh basil leaves

1 red bell pepper  
1 pint of grape tomatoes  
Italian dressing

Cook the tortellini according to the package.

Cut the peppers into 1 inch pieces

Wash the basil and tomatoes.

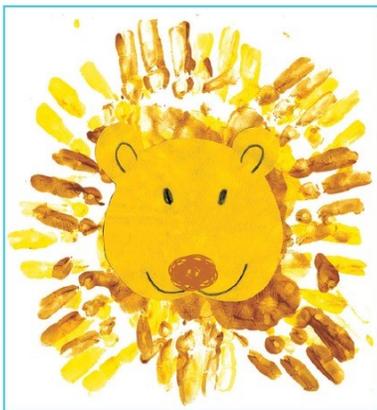
Show kids how to assemble the skewers, cautioning them about the "pointy end". Place finished skewers on a serving plate and drizzle with Italian dressing.

<http://www.cookingwithmykid.com/appetizers/pasta-salad-skewers/>

## **“HAND-some” Lion Craft**

From The Mailbox

Since March “comes in like a lion” this is a fun craft for your little ones. They’ll think it’s GRRRRREAT!



### **Materials Needed**

Yellow construction paper “lion face”  
12” white construction paper square  
Light brown and yellow paint  
Paintbrushes  
Crayons  
Glue/glue sticks

### **Instructions**

1. Paint one hand with brown paint. Make a circle of handprints on the 12” paper, overlapping the palms
2. Wash hands and repeat with yellow paint
3. When dry, draw lion’s face details and glue it to the center of the mane

# Talking with Kids

BABIES & TODDLERS: AGES 0-2

## How THEY Communicate

**Crying is one of a baby's first ways of communicating through sound.** By the time a baby is four weeks old, her cries are differentiated. There is a unique cry for hunger, wetness, pain and missing companionship. Within a few months, babies also start to coo and gurgle with pleasure.

**Within three to four months, babies realize that when they make noise, people respond.** When a parent or caregiver responds to a baby's cries, the baby begins to trust her means of communication, because her needs are being met. In the second six months of life, babies begin to babble in the language of their parents and other caregivers.

**Babies and toddlers do not understand words out of context.** Instead, they understand words in combination with your gestures, tone and facial expression.

**By 18-24 months, toddlers begin to use action words.** These words express what they see or want, leaving out adjectives and other grammatical conventions. They may come out with short phrases such as "Mommy go," or "Shoes on." Babies and toddlers also speak through gestures and tone of voice. What they do physically may be as important as what they actually say.

**Toddlers use words and short sentences to assert themselves.** "No" and "mine" are used to claim space and take control of their new world. It is developmentally important for a toddler to say these words. When young children say "No" to parents, they are often saying "Yes" to themselves. Asserting their independence is an early, important step towards becoming their own person, separate from you.

## How YOU Communicate

**Touch, cuddle and croon to babies as a first form of communication.** When babies cry, you can reassure them with your presence and a comforting, soothing tone. Babies respond the emotions you are communicating through what they see, hear and feel. They react to your sadness, tension, happiness or satisfaction.

**Be aware that tone and body language make a difference.** When a baby hears "Stop!" he will sometimes cry, because he is reacting to the sharpness and volume of your command. In the same way, a soft, loving "Good night" when you are tucking him into bed will comfort your child because of the soothing tone.

**Stay physically connected as a way to communicate.** Babies like being close to their parents. Wearing or holding them next to your body communicates reassurance and comfort; a carrier also allows you to move around and carry on with your life.

**Don't be surprised if your baby cries when you are on the phone.** A baby knows when you are not paying attention, and he knows how to get that attention back. His wailing can come at inconvenient times, but being aware of what's causing your baby's reactions may help you stay patient and deal with him in the moment.

**Turn baby talk into a two-way conversation.** Invite responses from your baby. Singing and chanting nursery rhymes are good ways to play with sound. They invite your baby to make a pleasing stream of sounds that eventually lead to talking.

**Extend sounds and words to help children develop language skills.** If your toddler says "Go home," you might extend his thought by saying, "You want to go home. We can leave in a few minutes."

**Even if you are not sure how much your child understands, talk anyway!** Like holding and kissing, words are an important way of staying in contact with your baby. They will help your baby begin to attach feelings and thoughts to sounds.

From: PBS PARENTS

[http://www.pbs.org/parents/talkingwithkids/agebyage\\_1.html](http://www.pbs.org/parents/talkingwithkids/agebyage_1.html)

[http://www.pbs.org/parents/talkingwithkids/agebyage\\_2.html](http://www.pbs.org/parents/talkingwithkids/agebyage_2.html)

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[OrangeCountyChildCareAssociation.org](http://OrangeCountyChildCareAssociation.org)

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Community Care Licensing	(714) 703-2800	<a href="http://cclcd.ca.gov/contact.html">http://cclcd.ca.gov/contact.html</a>
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CHS Referral Line (M-F, 9-3:30)	(949) 364-6605	<a href="http://www.chs-ca.org/child-care/ccrrp/">http://www.chs-ca.org/child-care/ccrrp/</a>
Children's Home Society	(714) 456-9800	<a href="http://www.chs-ca.org/">http://www.chs-ca.org/</a>
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Child Guidance Center	(714) 953-4455	<a href="http://www.cgcoc.org/">http://www.cgcoc.org/</a>
Help Me Grow-Orange County	(866) GROW-025	<a href="http://www.helpmegrowoc.org/">http://www.helpmegrowoc.org/</a>
OC Child Abuse Prevention	(714) 543-4333	<a href="http://www.brightfutures4kids.org/">http://www.brightfutures4kids.org/</a>
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### Did you know...

The Children's Home Society of OC produces quarterly newsletters especially geared toward providers and parents? They encourage providers to share their newsletters amongst their peers and staff. They also give providers permission to print and distribute their parent newsletters to their clients. Each newsletter is full of activities and information. This quarter's feature is on the healthy social and emotional development of young children.

Check them out at

<http://www.chs-ca.org/child-care/ppn/>



Next General Meeting

Monday, March 14, 2016

“JUST US”

Brainstorming/Discussion

Cool Craft

7:00 Networking, 7:20 pm Meeting  
Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Orange County  
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Wear GREEN for a door prize ticket  
Bring bake sale treats get a prize ticket  
Please, no children at the meeting.

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