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2025-2026 Trainings At-a-Glance

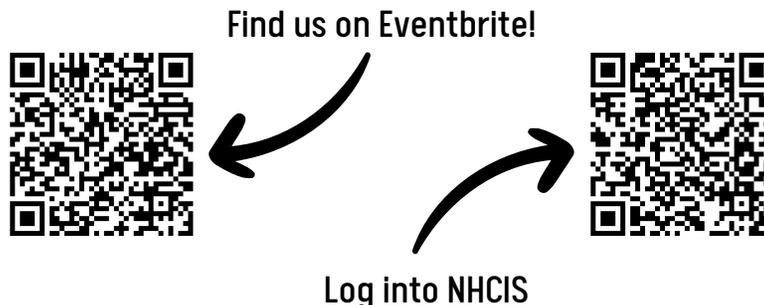


Hello and Welcome!

Welcome to the 2025-2026 Child Care Aware of NH Trainings At-a-Glance Calendar, your go-to resource for discovering a wide array of training opportunities! Here, you can quickly glance through the various training sessions and professional development opportunities offered through Child Care Aware of NH. This calendar is released on a quarterly basis. We believe in fostering continuous growth and learning within the early childhood education community, and this calendar is designed to make the process of finding and registering for our events seamless.

The best part is that all the events listed in this calendar are clickable! By simply clicking on any event, you will be directed to either the NHCIS login page or Eventbrite, where you can access more detailed information and secure your spot in a training. Please note that events such as our conference, and Annual Celebration of NH Early Childhood Professionals can be found on the [Child Care Aware of NH Eventbrite](#) page.

If you have any questions or need assistance, our team is here to support you. Feel free to reach out to us at [\(603\) 578-1386](tel:6035781386) ext. 2526 and ext. 2532. We're thrilled to have you join us on this rewarding learning adventure!



Registering in NHCIS

For a smooth experience, we recommend using Google Chrome or Firefox when logging in to your NHCIS account.

1. Login to your NHCIS account
2. Click on the **Professional Development** tile
3. On the menu on the left, click “**Find Trainings**”
4. You can view trainings in three (3) formats: by list, week, or month
5. On the right, next to the training listed, click on “**View Details**”
6. On the bottom right, click the button that says “**Register**”
7. If the training is offered multiple times, please click on “**Sessions**” to register for your intended date

If you are unable to attend a training for which you registered, please follow the above directions and click the button that says “**Withdraw.**”

If you need assistance logging into your NHCIS account, please give us a call at [855-393-1731](tel:8553931731) ext. 2532.

Types of Professional Development Opportunities



Virtual Learning Communities

Formerly known as Collaboratives, our Early Childhood Virtual Learning Communities (VLC) are designed for Directors, Administrators, Teachers, and other Early Childhood Professionals and are offered on a monthly basis, September through June. These meetings are carefully crafted to cater to your specific needs and interests. Our main goal is to provide you with valuable information on the topics that matter most to you.

During these virtual learning communities, you'll have the opportunity to engage with like-minded professionals, sharing insights and best practices to enhance your skills and expertise. Our commitment goes beyond just enhancing your professional growth; we strive to foster a strong sense of community by providing you with essential local and state information through valuable partnerships with community organizations.

Infant and Toddler

Nurture infants' and toddlers' development through shared knowledge, expertise, and resources.

1st Tuesday, 6:00-7:30 PM

Family Engagement & Communication

Foster strong family and community ties in early childhood settings.

1st Wednesday, 1:00-2:30 PM

Preschool

Enhance preschoolers' care and learning through shared knowledge, expertise, and resources.

3rd Wednesday, 6:00-7:30 PM

Business Management Practices

Enhance business practices with shared tools and strategic solutions.

2nd Tuesday, 6:00-7:30 PM

Directors Speak

Strengthen administrative practices, elevating program efficiency and quality.

3rd Monday, 9:30-10:30 AM

Family Child Care

Supporting family child care educators, enriching home-based early childhood environments.

2nd Thursday, 6:00-7:30 PM

Social Emotional Topics

Explore various facets of social-emotional development in early childhood settings.

3rd Monday, 6:00-7:30 PM

Revive & Thrive

Empower providers to prioritize well-being through self-care strategies and reflection.

4th Wednesday, 6:00-7:30 PM

Specials

Child Care Aware of New Hampshire offers virtual multi-part training series for in-depth professional development on key topics. We also host in-person Special Events—including our Annual Conference and summits focused on leadership, infant toddler care, and family child care—that provide focused learning and networking opportunities. Whether virtual or in-person, our trainings support your growth and success in early childhood education.

Registration for the annual conference is online through [Eventbrite](#).

The NH Cares Scholarship is awarded to New Hampshire child care providers who are currently working 30 hours per week or more in a licensed program. This scholarship will cover the total fee to attend designated Child Care Aware of New Hampshire hosted conferences, specials, and training sessions, giving child care providers the benefit to attend and earn professional development hours at no-cost.

Registration is online through the [NHCIS Training Tile](#). Subscribe to our [newsletter](#) to receive Monthly VLCs Topics.

Upcoming Professional Development Specials

Annual Celebration of NH Early Childhood Professionals



Join us Monday, April 6th 2026

Confirm your registration through [Eventbrite](#).

Water Safety Training with Scott Noyes

Join this in-person training provides staff with a Water Safety Certification valid for 3 years. Ensure your team is prepared to supervise water activities before the summer season begins.

**Saturday
May 16th 2026
9:00-11:30 AM**

Concord, NH

Spots are limited.

Registration is required through the [NHCIS Training Tile](#).

Every Child Stays 6-Part Series

Leadership Strategies for Keeping Children
Included and Preventing Exclusion

Tuesday evenings, begins March 3rd 2026

Every Child Stays is a multi-session professional learning series designed specifically for directors and administrators who want to strengthen leadership strategies that keep children included and prevent exclusionary practices.

Registration is required through the [NHCIS Training Tile](#).

Infant & Toddler Institute

**Saturday March 21st 2026
9:00 AM-12:30 PM**

Join trainers **Melissa Davis**, M.Ed., and **Kimberly O'Donnell**, OTR/L, for a two-part virtual institute equipping early childhood professionals with the tools to transform infant and toddler anxiety into confidence.

Registration is required through the [NHCIS Training Tile](#).

March 2026

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1	2	3 <u>Infant & Toddler: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM <u>Every Child Stays:</u> Session 1 6:00-7:30 PM	4 <u>Family Engagement & Communication: Virtual Learning Community</u> 1:00-2:30 PM	5 <u>Beyond Limits: Celebrating Children's Diverse Abilities:</u> Session 3 6:00-7:30 PM	6	7 <u>CPR & First Aid Training</u> 8:30 AM-12:30 PM Bow, NH
8	9	10 <u>Business Management Practices: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	11 <u>Enhancing Communication and Learning Through Sign Language</u> Session 5 6:30-8:00 PM	12 <u>Family Child Care: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	13	14
15	16 <u>Directors Speak: Virtual Learning Community</u> 9:30-10:30 AM <u>Social Emotional Topics: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	17	18 <u>Preschool: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	19	20	21 <u>Infant & Toddler Institute</u> 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
22	23	24	25 <u>Revive & Thrive</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	26 <u>Virtual Mini Conference: Play Schemas</u> 6:00-8:00 PM	27	28
29	30 <i>Deadline to Register for the Annual Celebration of NH EC Professionals</i>	31				

Register & View VLC Topics in NHCIS

March, 2026

Day & Date:	Time:	Title:	Topic:	Trainer:
Tuesday March 3	6:00-7:00 PM	Infant & Toddler VLC	Elevating Early Learning Spaces Through Reflective Practice	Lindsey Parisi, M.Ed. ECPDST
Tuesday March 3	6:00-7:30 PM	Every Child Stays	Why Every Child Stays Understanding Exclusion, Systems, and Director Influence	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Wednesday March 4	1:00-2:30 PM	Family Engagement & Communication VLC	April is Prevention Month!	Nicole Heeler, New Hampshire Children's Trust
Thursday March 5	6:00-7:30PM	Beyond Limits: Celebrating Children's Diverse Abilities	What is an Inclusive Program? Supporting Children with Special Needs (Pt. 2)	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Saturday March 7	8:30 AM -12:30 PM	CPR/First Aid, Bow NH		Chris Smith, AEMT
Tuesday March 10	6:00-7:30 PM	Business Management Practices VLC	Professionalism	Amy Upton, M.Ed., ECPDSFT
Wednesday March 11	6:30-8:00 PM	Enhancing Communication & Learning Through Sign Language	"Lions, and Tigers, and Bears— Oh My!" Animals in ASL	Kamál Lange, MA, CCC-SLP
Thursday March 12	6:00-7:30 PM	Family Child Care Virtual Learning Community	Group Time in a Family Child Care Program	Connie Davis, BS, ECMPWT
Monday March 16	9:30-10:30 AM	Directors Speak Virtual Learning Community	Early Childhood Evaluation	Jennifer Hunter, M.Ed.
Monday March 16	6:00-7:30 PM	Social and Emotional Topics Virtual Learning Community	Mirrors & Windows: Building Identity Through Books	Kris Tabor-Hall, M.Ed., ECPDSF
Wednesday March 18	6:00-7:30 PM	Preschool Virtual Learning Community	Choose Love Implementation – Choose Love is for Everyone!	Dee Dee Thurber, M.Ed., ECPDST
Saturday March 21	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Infant & Toddler Institute	Building Calm, Confidence & Connection	Melissa Davis, M.Ed – Founder & CEO, Education Advisors LLC & Kimberly O'Donnell, OTR/L, NH ECMP
Wednesday March 25	6:00-7:30 PM	Revive & Thrive	Providing Healing, Promoting Hope	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Thursday March 26	6:00-8:00 PM	Virtual Mini-Conference	Play Schemas	Dee Dee Thurber, M.Ed., ECPDST

April 2026

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			1 <u>Family Engagement & Communication: Virtual Learning Community</u> 1:00-2:30 PM	2 <u>Beyond Limits: Celebrating Children's Diverse Abilities: Session 4</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	3	4
5	6 <i>Annual Celebration of NH EC Professionals</i> <i>5:00-7:30 PM Concord, NH</i>	7 <u>Infant & Toddler: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM <u>Every Child Stays: Session 2</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	8 <u>Enhancing Communication and Learning Through Sign Language</u> Session 5 6:30-8:00 PM	9 <u>Family Child Care: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	10	11
12	13	14	15 <u>Preschool: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	16	17	18
19	20 <u>Directors Speak: Virtual Learning Community</u> 9:30-10:30 AM <u>Social Emotional Topics: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	21 <u>Business Management Practices: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	22 <u>Revive & Thrive</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	23	24	25 <u>CPR & First Aid Training</u> 8:30 AM-12:30 PM <i>Bow, NH</i>
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April 2026

Day & Date:	Time:	Title:	Topic:	Trainer:
Wednesday April 1	1:00-2:30 PM	Family Engagement & Communication VLC	Finding Balance in a World Full of Screens: How Hosting a Screen-free Week Can Help!	Dee Dee Thurber, M.Ed., ECPDST
Thursday April 2	6:00-7:30PM	Beyond Limits: Celebrating Children's Diverse Abilities	Building Bridges: Fostering Strong Partnerships with Families	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Tuesday April 7	6:00-7:00 PM	Infant & Toddler VLC	Flow of the day and Schedules	Lindsey Parisi, M.Ed. ECPDST
Tuesday April 7	6:00-7:30 PM	Every Child Stays	Strengthening Teacher Capacity Through Supportive Leadership	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Wednesday April 8	6:30-8:00 PM	Enhancing Communication & Learning Through Sign Language	Spring is in the Air!	Kamál Lange, MA, CCC-SLP
Thursday April 9	6:00-7:30 PM	Family Child Care Virtual Learning Community	Figuring Out Challenging Behaviors Through Temperament	Megg Thompson, M.Ed., Behavior Coach
Wednesday April 15	6:00-7:30 PM	Preschool Virtual Learning Community	Potty Training - Child Guided	Dee Dee Thurber, M.Ed., ECPDST
Monday April 20	9:30-10:30 AM	Directors Speak Virtual Learning Community	A Visit with the Child Care Licensing Unit	NH Child Care Licensing Unit (CCLU)
Monday April 20	6:00-7:30 PM	Social and Emotional Topics Virtual Learning Community	Strengthening Social Emotional Development Through Screening	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Tuesday April 21	6:00-7:30 PM	Business Management Practices VLC	Cyber Security, Protecting Your Assets	John Watkins, Educational & Training Officer
Wednesday April 22	6:00-7:30 PM	Revive & Thrive	Exploring Courage	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Saturday April 25	8:30 AM -12:30 PM	CPR/First Aid, Bow NH		Chris Smith, AEMT

May 2026

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3	4	5 <u>Infant & Toddler: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM <u>Every Child Stays: Session 3</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	6 <u>Family Engagement & Communication: Virtual Learning Community</u> 1:00-2:30 PM	7 <u>Beyond Limits: Celebrating Children's Diverse Abilities: Final Session</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	8	9
10	11	12 <u>Business Management Practices: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	13 <u>Enhancing Communication and Learning Through Sign Language</u> Final Session 6:30-8:00 PM	14 <u>Family Child Care: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	15	16 <u>Water Safety Training</u> 9:00-11:30 AM Concord, NH
17	18 <u>Directors Speak: Virtual Learning Community</u> 9:30-10:30 AM <u>Social Emotional Topics: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	19	20 <u>Preschool: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	21	22	23
24	25 	26	27 <u>Revive & Thrive</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	28	29	30 <u>Family Child Care Training Institute</u> 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM Concord, NH

May 2026

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Tuesday May 5	6:00-7:00 PM	Infant & Toddler VLC	Child Care Licensing Unit for Infant and Toddler Q&A	Lindsey Parisi, M.Ed. ECPDST
Tuesday May 5	6:00-7:30 PM	Every Child Stays	Family Partnerships That Work	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Wednesday May 6	1:00-2:30 PM	Family Engagement & Communication VLC	Understanding Homelessness	Courtney Porter, MSW, M.Ed., LSSW
Thursday May 7	6:00-7:30PM	Beyond Limits: Celebrating Children's Diverse Abilities	Embracing Barriers: English Language Learners in the EC Classroom	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Tuesday May 12	6:00-7:30 PM	Business Management Practices VLC	Small Business Development Center	Kris Tabor-Hall, M.Ed., ECPDSF & Donna Lake, ECPDST
Wednesday May 13	6:30-8:00 PM	Enhancing Communication & Learning Through Sign Language	Things That Go Vroom! Transportation & Places	Kamál Lange, MA, CCC-SLP
Thursday May 14	6:00-7:30 PM	Family Child Care Virtual Learning Community	The Emotional Aspect of Teaching	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Saturday May 17	9:00-11:30 AM	Water Safety Training Concord, NH		Scott Noyes, ECPDST
Monday May 18	9:30-10:30 AM	Directors Speak Virtual Learning Community	Intro to HOPE	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Monday May 18	6:00-7:30 PM	Social and Emotional Topics Virtual Learning Community	Responding to mental health needs in early childhood	Annie Dintino-Cucchi, M.Ed, Consultant, Center for Trauma Responsive Practice Change
Wednesday May 20	6:00-7:30 PM	Preschool Virtual Learning Community	Play Based Learning	Xanthi Gray, Meredith Brustlin
Wednesday May 27	6:00-7:30 PM	Revive & Thrive	The Art of Active Listening	Stephanie Therrien, M.Ed, ECMPWTPC
Saturday May 30	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Family Child Care Training Institute	Supporting Regulation, Engagement, and Learning in Young Children	Annie Dintino-Cucchi, M.Ed, Consultant, Center for Trauma Responsive Practice Change and Benjamin T. Crabtree, Child Development Specialist, Early Intervention Specialist, MSCD-EIS

June 2026

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	1	2 <u>Infant & Toddler: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM <u>Every Child Stays:</u> Session 4 6:00-7:30 PM	3 <u>Family Engagement & Communication: Virtual Learning Community</u> 1:00-2:30 PM	4	5	6 <u>CPR & First Aid Training</u> 8:30 AM-12:30 PM <i>Tamworth, NH</i>
7	8	9 <u>Business Management Practices: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	10	11 <u>Family Child Care: Virtual Learning Community</u> 6:00-7:30 PM	12	13
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"Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But for children, play is serious learning. Play is really the work of childhood."

- Fred Rogers

