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Coordinated Enrollment
Pilot Expansion
Purpose

• The Coordinated Enrollment Pilot Expansion will ensure each child and their family can access:

• Quality Early Child Care Education (ECCE) services; and

• Essential services to support each child’s healthy development.
Expanding What Works

• NECC currently provides limited coordinated enrollment services to the three Omaha Early Learning Centers at Gateway, Kennedy, and Skinner as part of an EHS-CCP grant.

• What happens to those families who are over-income for Early Head Start or are on a waitlist?

• The Coordinated Enrollment Pilot Expansion will allow those families to receive the support necessary to enroll in quality ECCE service.
Services to Families

• One point of access for families to:
  • Receive information and education about quality childcare;
  • Screen for eligibility and apply for public benefits;
  • Receive relevant community referrals to eliminate barriers; and
  • Complete enrollment paperwork as necessary for the participating
    childcare program of their choice.

• Families will be served by one Coordinated Enrollment Specialist
  throughout the process.
PDG Strategic Plan Objectives

**Allow**
- The Coordinated Enrollment Pilot Expansion will allow families to receive the support to enroll in quality ECCE services.

**Increase**
- Increase family access to quality ECCE by removing barriers to enrollment.

**Create**
- Create coordinated and aligned resource, referral, and enrollment system to access care

**Improve**
- Improve continuity of care by helping families find the right fit
Family Child Care Network

• Tiered System of Support
• Tier 1/Tier 2/Tier 3
• Virtual Delivery/Statewide Reach
• English & Spanish
• FREE!

“The work you are doing benefits child care providers across the state but more importantly, it sets in motion a benefit to children which will span generations. Every child care provider believes that there is no more important work than strengthening children. By strengthening child care providers you are the genesis of that positive cycle. Thank you on behalf of child care providers, the children they love and the families they partner with.”

- Anne Trouba
All Our Kin (AOK): Business Training Series & Consultation Licensing Toolkit

- Business Training Series
  - 10-week, 30-hour training that covers family child care business topics such as; marketing, contracts, policies/parent handbooks, budgeting, taxes, risk management, more
  - Inservice hours/stipend to attend

- Business Consultation/The Learning Community
  - Optional 8-week, extension of the BTS, facilitated utilizing the Business Administration Scale (BAS) and harnesses peer learning supports

- Licensing Toolkit
  - Inspired by the work of AOK, the Licensing Toolkit is a customized program specifically designed for Nebraska Family Child Care Licensure
  - Pairs future FCCP’s with a mentor and toolkit boxes to provide supports for the licensing process
  - Digital Companion: https://toolkit.nebraskaearly.org/

“Emily was absolutely amazing! It is difficult to keep the attention of 10+ people every Monday night for 3 hours via Zoom but she did a spectacular job! She kept class fun and full of information. I looked forward to it each week even after an 11-hour day! She was relatable and extremely encouraging!”

-BTS Graduate
Wonderschool

• “One stop shop” for child care business tools
• Provider dashboard tracks revenue/expenses/vacancies/
• Website (Tours/Enrollments)
• Parent Communication & Attendance Tools (Wonderschool App)
• Automatic Parent Billing
• Curriculum resources, professional development, discounts, and an active community of ECE professionals
• Elevate Fund
• Mentoring, Continuous Quality Improvement, Professional Development

“The biggest benefit I have received from Wonderschool, thus far, is the automated billing system it provides. I no longer have to remind my parents when tuition is due. I also don't have to continually send them monthly statements, as they are able to grab those right off their Wonderschool parent website. It saves me time, which is priceless!” - Amy Lanik