CARING FOR CHILDREN AS A SUPPORT TO FAMILIES AND SOURCE OF INCOME:

Professional Family Child Care Alliance of Georgia (PFCCAG) and 9to5 National Organization for Working Women Georgia

EXPLORING CHILD CARE AS A SOURCE OF INCOME

POST COVID-19

FAMILY FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR (FFN) CARE:

WHEN DO YOU NOT NEED A LICENSE?

- when you are caring for UPTO 2 children for a fee
- when you care for children and DO NOT charge a fee
- when you care for up to 2 children for a fee and other children for free (such as grandchildren)

WHEN YOU DO NEED A LICENSE?

- if you care for between 3 and 6 children for pay, you must obtain a license through the Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL)
- in addition to the 6 children for pay, you can serve children of relatives not for pay, and 2 children age 3 years and older, for 2 designated one hour periods
  Children of relatives include sons, daughters, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and first cousins

FAMILY CHILD CARE LEARNING HOME (FCCLH):

KEY REQUIREMENTS:

- Complete DECAL Preservice Licensing and Other Required Classes (Licensing Orientation Meeting, CPR & First Aid, and training in other topics)
- Submit proof to DECAL your home complies with local government (city or county) requirements for zoning, business permit, fire department, and water supply
- Submit proof to DECAL that, if applicable, your landlord or homeowner association, agrees for you to have a FCCLH home
- Complete, or request a variance to complete (within 24 months of opening), a credential or degree in early child care and learning
- Complete comprehensive background checks on yourself and anyone living in your home
- Certify you meet a set of “Core Rules” prior to opening

For a complete explanation of FCCLH licensing requirements go to:
bit.ly/decalFCCLH

CHILD CARE LEARNING CENTER

- In Georgia, if you care for 7 or more children for pay, you must obtain a license through DECAL to be a Child Care Learning Center (CCLC)
- Individuals considering opening a FCCLH often explore the CCLC option as well
- Just as FFN caregivers may consider their work a stepping stone to becoming a FCCLH home, some FCCLH providers consider their home a stepping stone to owning a CCLC

For a complete explanation of CCLC licensing requirements go to:
bit.ly/decalCCLC

WORKING FOR YOU

PFCCAG is working with 9to5 and other professional and child advocacy organizations to support FFN caregivers and FCCLH applicants. To contact PFCCAG, send an e-mail to info@pfccag.org or visit the website www.pfccag.org.

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