# 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 **UP TO** 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)



# FAMILY CHILD CARE LEARNING HOME (FCCLH):

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

## **KEY REQUIREMENTS:**

- Complete **DECAL Preservice Licensing and Other Required Classes** (Licensing Orientation Meeting, CPR & First Aide, 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

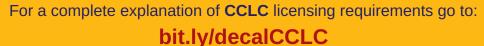
For a complete explanation of FCCLH licensing requirements go to:

bit.ly/decalFCCLH

#### CHILD CARE LEARNING CENTER

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- 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



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### **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

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