



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

MSDH Child Care Licensure Resource Guide for Child Care Providers

This resource guide was commissioned by the Mississippi State Board of Health to be completed in collaboration with multiple agencies and early childhood stakeholders in Mississippi.

Professional Development Training & Technical Assistance

Quick Reference Guide

Training Workshops	Training conducted in a classroom/group style. Certificates for contact hours should be received for each workshop.
Technical Assistance	On-site training conducted at child care facility.
Program Administration	Training or technical assistance specifically designed for Owners, Directors, and other managers
Health & Safety	Training or technical assistance focusing on health and safety factors such as regulations, handwashing, sanitizing, infectious diseases, etc.
Nutrition Planning	Training or technical assistance focusing on nutrition, menu planning, food preparation, food guidelines, CACFP, etc.
Curriculum	Training or technical assistance focusing on curriculum content, learning activities, lesson planning, etc.
Classroom Environment	Training or technical assistance focusing on classroom arrangement, learning materials, etc.
Child Development	Training or technical assistance focusing on child growth and development, learning stages, meeting developmental needs, etc.
Behavior & Discipline	Training or technical assistance focusing on behavioral development, discipline & guidance, classroom management, etc.
Screening & Assessment	Training or technical assistance focusing on proper screening and assessment of young children.
Special Needs	Training or technical assistance focusing on serving children with special needs.

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Professional Development Training & Technical Assistance

The Institute of Child Nutrition – The University of Mississippi

(662) 915-7658 or (800) 321-3054

<https://theicn.org>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
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Jackson Association on Children under Six (JACUS) – Jackson Metro Area

For more information email Terre Harris at terre@jacus.org

www.mississippiearlychildhood.org

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
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Mississippi Afterschool Network – Statewide

(601) 353-6336

<http://msafterschool.org/>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
✓					✓	✓	✓			

Mississippi Early Childhood Alliance (MECA) – Jackson Metro Area

(601) 979-2396

<https://www.facebook.com/MECAMLI/>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Professional Development Training & Technical Assistance

Mississippi Early Childhood Association (MsECA) – Statewide

(601) 620-6205

www.mississippiearlychildhood.org

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		

Mississippi Community College Board Early Childhood Academy (ECA) – Statewide

(601) 432-6519

<http://www.mccb.edu/childhood/chdefault.aspx>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
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Early Childhood Academy Locations

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Meridian Community College 910 Hwy 19 North Reed Hall 135-B Meridian, MS 39307 601-553-3413	Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College 2226 Switzer Road Gulfport, MS 39507 228-897-3735	Northeast Community College 101 Cunningham Blvd Booneville, MS 38829 662-720-4082	Northwest Community College 4975 Hwy. 51 North, Berry Building (1st floor) Senatobia, MS 38668	Pearl River Community College 101 US Hwy 11 Poplarville, MS 39470 601-403-1492	Southwest Community College 1156 College Drive Summit, MS 39666 601-276-3737	

Professional Development Training & Technical Assistance

Mississippi Department of Education Early Childhood Office – Statewide

(601) 359-2586 or (601) 359-3461

<http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/ESE/EC>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓

Mississippi Early Childhood Inclusion Center (MECIC) – Statewide

(601) 266-5163

<https://www.usm.edu/disability-studies>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
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Mississippi Family 2 Family Health Information and Education Center – Statewide

<https://www.usm.edu/disability-studies/family-2-family-overview>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
✓	✓									✓

MS State Department of Health Cavity-Free Kids: Educational Training for Child Care – Statewide

(601) 576-7500

https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/43,0,151,470.html

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
✓			✓	✓						

Professional Development Training & Technical Assistance

Mississippi State University Extension Tummy Safe Food Certification – Statewide

(662) 325-8930

<http://extension.msstate.edu/food-and-health/food-safety/tummysafe>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
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Mississippi State University Extension SHAPE-CARE – Statewide

*Contact Dr. Alisha Hardman at a.hardman@msstate.edu.

<https://extension.msstate.edu/programs/family-and-consumer-sciences/shape-care>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
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North Mississippi Education Consortium – Statewide

(662) 915-7763

<http://www.northmsec.com/>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
✓					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Northeast MS Early Childhood Association (NeMsECA-PAC)

nemseca.pac@gmail.com

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
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Professional Development Training & Technical Assistance

Pine Belt Childcare Director's Network – Hattiesburg Area

For more information please call Margie Nobles at 601-544-4018, or email at bubba@playschoolcc.com

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		

Rankin County Director's Association (RCDA) – Rankin County

For more information email Beverly Peden at bpeden@comcast.net

<https://www.mississippiearlychildhood.org>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
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ServSafe National Restaurant Association – Statewide

1 (800) 765-2122

<https://www.servsafe.com/>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Program Administration	Health & Safety	Nutrition Planning	Curriculum	Classroom Environment	Child Development	Behavior & Discipline	Screening & Assessment	Special Needs
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Mental Health/Special Needs Quick Reference Guide

Training Workshops	Training conducted in a classroom/group style. Certificates for contact hours should be received for each workshop.
Technical Assistance	On-site training conducted at child care facility.
Infants	Services specifically designed for infants provided.
Toddlers	Services specifically designed for toddlers provided.
Twos	Services specifically designed for two-year-olds provided.
Preschool	Services specifically designed for preschool-age children provided.
School-age	Services specifically designed for school-age children provided.
Screening & Assessment	Screening and/or assessment of young children provided.
Referrals	Services that include referrals to mental health/special needs support systems provided.

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Mental Health/Special Needs

Families as Allies – Statewide

(601) 355-0915 or 1 (800) 833-9671

www.faams.org

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Infants	Toddlers	Twos	Preschool	School-age	Screening & Assessment	Referrals
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Mississippi Early Childhood Inclusion Center (MECIC) – Statewide

(601) 266-5163

<https://www.usm.edu/disability-studies>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Infants	Toddlers	Twos	Preschool	School-age	Screening & Assessment	Referrals
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MS State Department of Health Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) – Statewide

(601) 576-7400

http://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/41,0,163.html

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Infants	Toddlers	Twos	Preschool	School-age	Screening & Assessment	Referrals
		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Mississippi Family 2 Family Health Information and Education Center – Statewide

<https://www.usm.edu/disability-studies/family-2-family-overview>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Infants	Toddlers	Twos	Preschool	School-age	Screening & Assessment	Referrals
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Mental Health/Special Needs

MS State Department of Health First Steps – Statewide

(601) 576-7400 or 1 (866) 458-4948

http://www.msdh.state.ms.us/msdhsite/_static/41,0,74.html

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Infants	Toddlers	Twos	Preschool	School-age	Screening & Assessment	Referrals
		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓

My Canopy Children’s Solutions Behavioral Health – Statewide

<https://mycanopy.org/>

(601) 352-7784 or 1 (800) 388-6247 (toll free)

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Infants	Toddlers	Twos	Preschool	School-age	Screening & Assessment	Referrals
		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Realizing Excellence for All Children in Mississippi (REACH MS) – Statewide

(601) 266-6376

<https://www.usm.edu/reachms/about-pbis-early-childhood>

Training Workshops	Technical Assistance	Infants	Toddlers	Twos	Preschool	School-age	Screening & Assessment	Referrals
✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		

Support Services/Resources Quick Reference Guide

EC Teaching Materials	Early childhood learning toys and activities provided on loan or permanent basis. <i>*Check with organization for details.</i>
Curriculum	Services specific to early childhood curriculum provided.
USDA Food Program	Assistance with USDA/Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) provided.
Screening & Assessment	Screening and/or assessment of young children provided.
CDA	Child Development Associate (CDA) classes or assistance provided.
Family Engagement	Services specific to family engagement provided.
Community Engagement	Services specific to community engagement provided.
Advocacy	Services related to advocacy of young children and early childhood education provided.
Handouts & Videos	Handouts and videos on various early childhood topics provided.
Referrals	Services that include referrals to mental health/special needs support systems provided.

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Support Services/Resources

Central Mississippi Down Syndrome Society – Statewide

(601) 385-DOWN (3696)

<https://cmdss.org/>

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
			✓		✓		✓	✓	✓

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) – Statewide

(601) 359-3513

<http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/OCN/CACFP>

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
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Excel By 5 – Statewide

(601) 707-7762

<http://excelby5.com/>

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
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Families as Allies – Statewide

(601) 355-0915 or 1 (800) 833-9671

www.faams.org

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
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Support Services/Resources

Mississippi Community College Board Early Childhood Academy (ECA) – Statewide

(601) 432-6519

<http://www.mccb.edu/childhood/chdefault.aspx>

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
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The Institute of Child Nutrition – The University of Mississippi – Statewide

662-915-7658 or 1-800-321-3054

<https://theicn.org/cacfp>

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
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Support Services/Resources

MS State Department of Health Office of Preventive Health – Statewide

(601) 576-7400

http://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/43.html

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
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MS State Department of Health Perinatal High Risk/Infant Services System (PHRM/ISS) - Statewide

(601) 576-7400

1 (866) 458-4948

http://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/41,0,106.html

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
		✓			✓			✓	

MS State Department of Health Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) Outreach Program – Statewide

(601) 576-7400

1 (866) 458-4948

http://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/41,0,202.html

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
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Mississippi Low Income Child Care Initiative – Statewide

(228) 669-4827

<http://www.mschildcare.org/about/>

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
		✓					✓	✓	

Support Services/Resources

Mississippi State University Extension Child Development & Early Childhood Education – Statewide

<http://extension.msstate.edu/family/children-and-parenting>

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
	✓				✓			✓	

My Canopy – Children’s Solutions – Statewide

<https://mycanopy.org/>

601-352-7784

1 (800) 388-6247 (toll free)

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
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The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi – Statewide

<http://www.healthy-miss.org/>

601-420-2414

1 (800) 746-5437 (toll free)

EC Teaching Materials	Curriculum	USDA Food Program	Screening & Assessment	CDA	Family Engagement	Community Engagement	Advocacy	Handouts & Videos	Referrals
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