



Continuous Quality Improvement Grants

ARPA Supply Building Initiative

Contracted SR and/or VPK providers with a most recent CLASS® composite score of 5 or higher may apply for a Continuous Quality Improvement Grant up to \$19,800 to develop/implement a program to strengthen practices that support effective interactions, strengthen business and leadership practices, support child assessment and screening with reliability, or other local priorities.

A program must provide a minimum of 24 hours of training time including live coaching, live instruction, virtual instruction, individual and group instruction, and other competency-based skill development exercises. The director must participate in the training along with staff, so the entire program benefits from the same preparation, work with a coach, and support of weekly goals. Funds can be used to cover any program costs, including compensating employees for their training time. Programs must be completed by June 30, 2023, unless otherwise notified by DEL.

Your Continuous Quality Improvement Grant application must be submitted to ELCFV for review and approval.

Below is a list of suggestions for training to consider including in your Training Plan. You may include other training not on this list in your Training Plan as part of your application. Be sure to provide a description of the training for ELCFV to consider for approval. Curriculum-specific training may be available and may be included in a proposed training plan.

1) Pyramid

- a) Build skills for supporting nurturing and responsive caregiving, provide targeted social-emotional skills, and support children with challenging behaviors.
- b) 9 hours virtual live facilitation; 18 hours of e-Pyramid course- \$329/person
- c) Materials: [The Pyramid Model Preschool Classroom Kit](#) | [The Discovery Source](#)
- d) Contact quality@elcfv.org if you have questions.

2) Flamingo Early Learning

- a) Competency-based, job-embedded online, and blended professional learning courses are led by a University of Florida instructor and cover a variety of



critical topics in early childhood education. Each course is aligned with state and national standards.

- b) 20 hours/2.0 CEUs with 4 hours of CoP, additional \$150 stipend for completion, no cost for training
- c) 9 weeks; term starts in March – limited seating
- d) Contact quality@elcfv.org if you have questions.

3) **Conscious Discipline**

- a) Learn about the Brain State Model, develop self-regulation skills within yourself to create a connected and compassionate culture for learning, and develop those skills within the children.
- b) 10-session online, self-paced e-course totaling 10 hours of training
- c) Contact quality@elcfv.org with questions.

4) **Childcare Education Institute (CCEI)**

- a) CCEI offers 150+ online trainings for teachers and directors in addition to offering certificate programs – includes CDA Track. Courses are available for beginner and intermediate levels and in both English and Spanish.
- b) Training courses, including hours, will need to be specified in the CQI application.
- c) Contact quality@elcfv.org with questions.

5) **Noni**

- a) A research-based digital app to give teachers tools to support children, as well as a component of self-care for teachers. Teacher will take a 3-hour online self-paced Trauma Informed Practices course (0.3 CEUs) and have access to the Noni app for one year.
- b) Cost of training: \$30; one year of Noni subscription paid for by ELCFV
- c) Contact inclusion@elcfv.org with questions.

6) **Registered Behavior Technician (RBT) TRAINING:**

- a) [RBT Training- Autism Partnership Foundation](#) (40 Hours - free)

7) **TEACHING STRATEGIES** Teacher PD Membership [Professional Development for Teachers - Teaching Strategies](#)

- a) Includes Teacher Acceleration Program (TAP); Access to a Professional Learning Community; unlimited access to an extensive library of on-demand ECE courses; “Ask an expert”; virtual live classes; includes CDA Track
- b) \$249/teacher/year
- c) Contact quality@elcfv.org if you have questions.

8) **DCF In-Service Training Modules**



- a) **Basic Guidance and Discipline (BGD)**
 - i) (5-hour/0.5 CEUs: Online)
 - b) **Challenging Behaviors Awareness and Prevention (CBAP)**
 - i) (5-hour/0.5 CEUs: Online)
 - c) **Child Care Personnel Orientation (CCPO)**
 - i) (5-hour/0.5 CEUs: Online)
 - d) **Effective Communication for Child Care (ECCC)**
 - i) (2-hour/0.2 CEUs: Online)
 - e) **Supporting Children with Developmental Disabilities (SCDD)**
 - i) (5-hour/0.5 CEUs: Online)
 - f) **Trauma-Informed Care for Child Care Professionals (TICC)**
 - i) (5-hour/.5 CEUs: Online)
 - g) **Trauma-Informed Care for Child Care Program Directors - Hybrid (TICDHI)**
 - i) (40-hour/4.0 CEUs: Both online and instructor-Led)
- 9) **BERTELSEN:** [Home \(bertelseneducation.com\)](http://bertelseneducation.com)
- a) Over 120 training hours of IACET accredited content for childcare professionals at every level. Our convenient online platform makes learning easier on busy professionals.
 - b) https://mcusercontent.com/6aaf4a34b499fe0053250ebef/files/33179f36-4b3f-4843-7bac-5b765e1d26fc/ELC_Doc_.pdf
 - c) Cost (coalition pricing): Director Training: \$98 for 1 director and 1 assistant director; Continuous Quality Improvement (special promo): \$165 per center assuming 10 teachers; Recruitment/New Hire Bundle: \$131 assuming 10 teachers