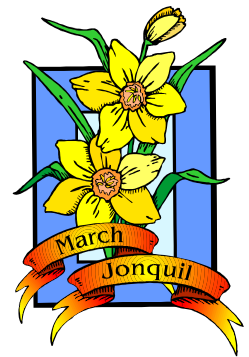


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Mark your Calendars!

Super Saturday on

March 27, 2010! This is a partnership with our Child Care Resource & Referral Agency MCG. Topics for 6.0 DECAL Approved Hours

Where the Wild Things Are

(Dealing with challenging Behaviors)

Recognizing & Reducing Stress in Young Children

Engaging Parents: Difficult Conversations

Also, MCG will have a session on the Accreditation Process. It will be conducted in the Activity building of **Jonesboro First United Methodist Church on 142 South Main Street Jonesboro, GA 30236.** Response has been overwhelming so make sure you get your registration out to as soon as possible. This training will get to capacity shortly.

Helpful Childcare Sites

Child care programs wanting to improve quality by earning or renewing national accreditation may receive services funded by Bright from the Start. For more information go to: [Assistance in Achieving National Accreditation](#)

Bright from the Start administers competitive grants to support a variety of programs and initiatives when funds permit. For more information go to: [Funding Opportunities](#)

Child care programs seeking professional development training, technical assistance to improve quality, and services to include children with special needs in the child care program may receive services from local Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies. These services are funded by Bright from the Start. For the agency that serves your area go to:

<http://www.gaccrra.org/contact.html>

Assistance in Achieving National Accreditation

Child care programs wanting to earn or renew national accreditation may receive services funded by Bright from the Start. Bright from the Start awards grants to organizations to provide accreditation facilitation services to help child care programs meet national standards of quality including National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), for child care centers, National Association of Family Child Care (NAFCC) for family child care providers, the Council on Accreditation (COA), for after school programs, and other comparable national accrediting organizations.

Accreditation facilitation services include site visits to assess the program's readiness to participate; assistance to help each program develop an improvement plan; on-site technical assistance; and coaching to guide program staff in developing skills to achieve and sustain program improvement goals.

Bright from the Start has awarded grants to the following organizations to provide accreditation facilitation services: Helping **school-age care programs** statewide that are seeking NAA accreditation:

Georgia School Age Care Association

Laurie Iscaro, 404-373-7414

liscaro@gsaca.com

Helping **child care learning centers, group day care homes, and family day care homes** achieve national accreditation:

Child care resource and referral (CCR&R) agencies offer technical assistance, and provide additional accreditation facilitation services in various regions.

REGION 1 - Child Care Resource and Referral Agency of North Georgia-Quality Care for Children, Inc.

770 387-0828

Toll Free (800) 308-1825

<http://www.qualitycareforchildren.org>

REGION 2 - Child Care Resource and Referral Agency of Metro Atlanta-Quality Care for Children, Inc.

404-479-4200

1-877-722-2445

<http://www.qualitycareforchildren.org>

REGION 3 - Child Care Resource and Referral Agency of the Central Region at Macon-Medical College of Georgia

478-751-3000

1-877-228-3566

<http://www.mcg.edu/ccrr>

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