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Good afternoon!

We hope all is well with you! Welcome to this edition of the Wisconsin Registry Connection!

We have a lot of information to share with you! This edition of the Wisconsin Registry Connection features an update on our grants, transcript and purge policy reminders, and a note on data privacy.

Sincerely,

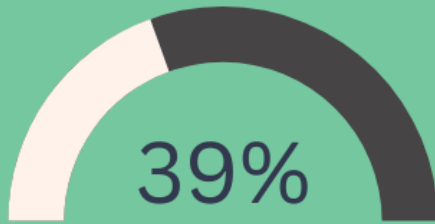
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COUPON & GRANT UPDATES

Free Child Care Foundational Training



Percentage of
Funds Remaining



4,239 Individuals
Participated

Free Child Care Foundational Training

The Child Care Foundational Training is funded by the Department of Children and Families (DCF). This exciting program provides accessible and affordable training and support to new child care professionals in an effort to improve the workforce shortage in child care!

See the [DCF Approved Training Agencies Offering Noncredit Child Care Courses](#) and the [Wisconsin Registry Statewide Training Calendar](#) for the list of current agencies offering these courses.

For more information, including how to find and register for Child Care Foundational Training events, please visit our website: <https://wregistry.org/free-foundational-childcare-training/>

Transcript Evaluation Grant



Percentage of
Funds Remaining



107 Individuals
Applied for the Grant

Foreign Transcript Evaluation

Individuals who have completed education outside of the United States must submit an evaluation report for their education to be reviewed and verified. The Wisconsin Registry has received a grant to cover the cost of an evaluation report from One Earth International Credential Evaluations. Funding for this grant was provided by DCF through the PDG.

To learn more about this grant and how to apply, please visit our website: <https://wiregistry.org/transcript-evaluation-grant/>

Free Registry Membership Coupon



Percentage of
Funds Remaining



2465 Individuals
Used the Coupon

Free Registry Membership Coupon

A coupon for FREE Registry membership and renewal is now available through funding provided by the Department of Children and Families through the Preschool Development Grant (PDG). All individuals, who are currently employed at a regulated child care program in Wisconsin AND have their current employer listed on their Registry Profile, are eligible to use the coupon. The coupon will be available only as funding allows.

For more information, please visit our website: <https://wregistry.org/free-membership/>

Policy Reminders

Official Transcripts Policy

Official transcripts are required to verify degrees, credits, and/or CEUs. The Wisconsin Registry only accepts official transcripts from accredited colleges or universities. This requirement prevents academic fraud and maintains the integrity of the Wisconsin Registry and its members.

Transcripts must be sent directly to the Wisconsin Registry in an unopened, originally sealed envelope or by secure email from the institution of higher education. Please note that some institutions will not provide an electronic version of an official transcript.

The following documents will NOT be accepted:

- Unofficial transcripts

- Grade or transcript printouts from your online student portal
- Copies of official transcripts
- Previously opened or electronically forwarded official transcripts

Official Transcripts Policy

Purge Policy

When an individual has not renewed their Wisconsin Registry membership for 7 years, their physical file is purged and all information within the file is securely destroyed. Maintaining physical records for no more than 7 years is a common practice in most government agencies and financial institutions.

In 2018 the Wisconsin Registry began digitizing all active member files. As individuals submit new or renewal applications their information is digitized and their educational documentation (including official transcripts) is uploaded to their Registry profile.

This means that any Wisconsin Registry Member who has applied for new membership or renewed an existing membership since 2018 will not be affected by the purge policy as their documents exist digitally.

Only users who have not had an active Wisconsin Registry membership at any time since 2018 have had their records purged.

Purge Policy

Data Privacy

The Wisconsin Registry regularly asks users to confirm personal information such as birthdate and age to maintain accurate records. This information is sometimes gathered and compiled into data summaries to make generalized statements about the characteristics of Wisconsin's Early Childhood Care and After-School Education workforce.

This data informs public policy and advocacy efforts to support the workforce and never is provided in a way that makes any one user's information personally identifiable.

We will never call and ask you for your social security number or banking information. If you ever receive a request from someone identifying themselves as a representative of the Wisconsin Registry and they ask for that information or any information that you believe is being fraudulently requested, please disregard the request and contact the Wisconsin Registry by phone or email at 608-222-1123 or support@wiregistry.org.

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