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Good Afternoon!

Welcome to this edition of the *Wisconsin Registry Connection*.

As we shared in our [January communication](#), there is currently a [coupon](#) for **FREE** Registry membership and renewal! Be sure to read on and see how many individuals have already used the coupon and how you can take advantage if you haven't done so already! Don't miss your chance to become a member or renew your current membership for free.

There's more.

We recently received additional funding that covers foreign transcript evaluations, which some individuals need to verify educational information when applying for or renewing their Registry membership. This can be a costly process, and we are excited to share information about this grant. We have also received funding to help individuals taking a Registry Credential commission for free. Be sure to read all of the information below and take advantage of these opportunities if they apply to you!

Finally, if you are a director, administrator, or owner of a child care program and are not familiar with a [Registry Program Profile](#), we have a new resource that will help you better understand the process of getting started. This resource can also help those who already manage a Program Profile better understand how to make updates when needed.

As we turn the page from winter to spring, we hope you are doing well and staying safe! If you have any questions, please [contact us](#).

Sincerely,  
*The Wisconsin Registry Team*

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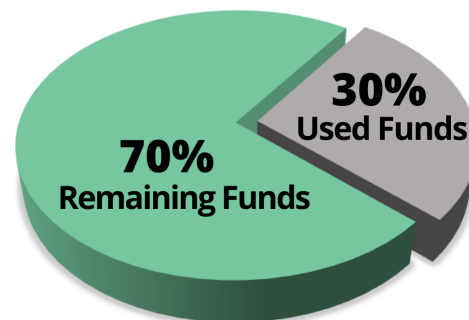


## PDG COUPON

The coupon for FREE Registry membership and renewal is still available through funding provided by the Department of Children and Families through the [Preschool Development Grant \(PDG\)](#).

Nearly **4,000** early childhood care and afterschool education professionals have used the coupon already. The coupon will be available only as funding allows, but we anticipate it will last a few more months.

### Amount of Available Coupon Funds



### Number of Individuals Who Used The Coupon



**3,914**

\* All data presented is current as of March 11, 2022.

### **Who qualifies to use the coupon?**

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.

### **What do I need to do to use the coupon?**

1. We highly recommend reviewing the steps and resources listed on our [website](#).
2. [Log in](#) to your Registry Profile and apply for or renew your Registry membership.
3. Carefully review the **employment** section of the membership application. Make sure your current employer is accurately listed. **This will determine if you are eligible to use the coupon.**
4. After you submit your Registry Membership Application, enter the coupon code **PDG2022**. The coupon covers the entire cost of Registry membership / membership renewal.
5. After you submit your application, review the list of documentation that you will need to send to the Wisconsin Registry. If you do not plan to send documentation to the Wisconsin Registry, click the **I have no documentation to submit** button.

[MORE COUPON INFORMATION](#)

## REGISTRY PROGRAM PROFILE

Having a free Registry Program Profile is a vital resource for your program or organization. If you are the director, administrator, or owner, you may need to set up a Registry Program Profile if your program or organization has not done so already. This may also be a high priority so staff can list your program or organization as their employer on their Registry Profile in order to use the current PDG coupon for free Registry membership or renewal.

A new resource is now available to help you get a snapshot of what is needed and the timeframe to set up a Registry Program Profile. If you already manage an existing Program Profile, this tip sheet can help you better understand how to make updates for your program and the expected time for changes to take effect.

## FOREIGN TRANSCRIPT EVALUATION / REGISTRY CREDENTIAL COMMISSIONS GRANT

Recently the Wisconsin Registry received a grant to cover the costs of two Registry related expenses: foreign transcript evaluation and Registry Credential Commission fee. **This grant is available until May 31, 2022, or as funding allows.** Funding for this grant was provided by the Department of Children and Families through the Preschool Development Grant (PDG).

### **Foreign Transcript Evaluation**

If you have foreign transcripts and need them evaluated when applying for Registry membership or membership renewal, be sure to apply for this grant. This grant will cover the entire cost of your foreign transcript evaluation from [One Earth International Credential Evaluations](#).

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

### **Registry Credential Commissions Grant**

If you are taking or have already completed a Registry Credential but have not commissioned, be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to commission for FREE!

To learn more about eligibility rules for this grant and how to apply, please visit our website: <https://wiregistry.org/credential-commissions-grant-application-form>

## BY THE NUMBERS

The Wisconsin Registry plays an important role in collecting data that informs public policy and advocacy efforts to support the early childhood care and afterschool education workforce. Below are some key numbers that stood out so far in 2022.

The following information reflects Registry data from March 1, 2022.

# 2,661

**The number of membership applications that the Wisconsin Registry has processed thus far in 2022.**

# 629

**The number of Registry approved trainers.**

# 2,120

**The number of training events published on the [Registry Statewide Training Calendar](#).**

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