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The Annual Health and Safety Update Training for Child Care Staff is a FREE online training offered by the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS). This is a <u>REQUIRED</u> annual update training for <u>child care providers who are Subsidy Vendors</u>. Below is a link to the Annual Health and Safety Update training flyer and it is also attached to this email:

http://www.dss.virginia.gov/files/division/cc/health_safety_training/resources_for_sharing/annual_virginia_health_and_safety_update_training_flyer.pdf

This 3 hour training is a follow-up to the Virginia Preservice Training for Child Care Staff. As of <u>Friday, March 1, 2019</u>, the training is now available for all early care and education providers in Virginia starting. This training provides updated information on the basic health and safety requirements specified in the Child Care Development Block Grant and should be completed within 1 year (12 months) after you have taken the Virginia Pre-service training. VDSS Licensing Inspectors will require existing Subsidy Vendors and staff to have a certificate of completion for this training on file by <u>March 1, 2020</u>.

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Annual Virginia Health and Safety Update Training for Child Care Staff

The Virginia Annual Health and Safety Update Training for Child Care Staff is a FREE online training offered by the Virginia Department of Social Services, through the Pennsylvania State University's Better Kid Care program. This is a **REQUIRED** annual update training for child care providers who are Subsidy Vendors. This 3 hour Annual Health and Safety Update Training is a follow-up to the Virginia Preservice Training for Child Care Staff. This training will be available for all early care and education providers in Virginia starting Friday, March 1, 2019.

ABOUT TRAINING

The Virginia Annual Health and Safety Update Training covers the following topics:

- Healthy Eating
- Physical Activity Promotion
- Immunization Recommendation Updates
- Cytomegalovirus and Norovirus

- Bed Bugs, Lice, Scabies, Fleas, Ticks, and Mosquito Management
- Adverse Childhood Experiences and Trauma Awareness
- Opioid Addiction and Epidemic

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New Subsidy Vendors will be required to take the 10-hour Virginia Preservice Training for Child Care Staff prior to approval. Within 90 days all staff must complete the Virginia Preservice Training for Child Care Staff. Then the Virginia Annual Health and Safety Update Training must be completed within 1 year (12 months) from the date on the Virginia Preservice Training for Child Care Staff certificate.



Sign into the Better Kid Care website at https://od.bkc.psu.edu/user/sign_in using the same email and password used to take the Preservice Training, or click on "No, I am a new Customer" and create an account.

Please look for and select the title "Virginia Health and Safety Update Training for Child Care Staff - \$0". This is a FREE training for Subsidy Vendors and any early care and education providers in Virginia.

Training is provided by the Virginia Department of Social Services, Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Development with Pennsylvania State University's Better Kid Care Program, in accordance with the federal Child Care and Development Fund from the U.S. Administration for Children and Families.



