

Child Care Provider Tools

The following ECECD funded tools provide administrative support services to childcare providers



EPICS Child Care Provider Dashboard

The Enterprise Provider Information and Constituent Services (EPICS) Dashboard allows child care providers to accept or decline child care contracts and to manage employee/caregiver records. To access the EPICS Dashboard, you must first complete a 30-minute training on the New Mexico Early Learning System (<https://nmels.org>).

- Upon completion of this training, send completed EPICS Dashboard Access form to [ECECD-ECS ProviderGovernance@ececd.nm.gov](mailto:ECECD-ECSProviderGovernance@ececd.nm.gov)
- For EPICS dashboard assistance send an email to ECECD-ECS-ProviderGovernance@ececd.nm.gov



Elevate New Mexico Child Care

(ECECD in collaboration with Wonderschool)

Elevate New Mexico is an all-in-one business application with tools that are specifically designed to help registered and licensed homes and smaller child care centers (up to 50 capacity) run their child care business. Elevate NM tools include: 24/7 support, website development and marketing, and business management software.

- Joining Elevate NM is easy – just text “ElevateNM” to (505) 391-3176 to learn more or email: elevatenm@wonderschool.com



Child Care Business Toolkit

Learn more at nmececd.org/child-care-business-toolkit

ECECD’s Child Care Business Toolkit is a foundation for early care and education professionals striving to meet the ever-increasing demands of the field. The toolkit contains thousands of practical and customizable resources, including sample policies, procedures, handbooks, forms, job descriptions, interview guides and much more put valuable hours back in your day.

The Competitive Pay for Professionals (CPP) Grant

Learn more at nmececd.org/competitive-pay-for-professionals-cpp-grant-opportunity

The Competitive Pay for Professionals (CPP) grant supports \$3 an hour wage increases for all eligible child care employees (e.g., teachers, cooks, bus drivers, administrative staff, etc.) with an active ECECD-issued or approved background clearance.



Child Care Finder

Learn more at Childcare.ececd.nm.gov.

Claim your free New Mexico Child Care Finder provider account and receive support to get your listing to the next level. The Child Care Finder allows parents and caregivers to search for one of the 1000+ child care programs statewide, filtering by proximity, age of child, quality rating, tuition, language, program type, and more.

Waterford Upstart

Learn more at nmececd.org/waterford.org.

Waterford UPSTART is an in-home kindergarten-readiness program to help children develop the foundational academic and cognitive skills needed for school success.



Rapid Response Intake Portal

Child care programs with a positive COVID-19 case or close contact are required to file a report to the New Mexico Early Childhood Education and Care Department. Instead of calling and waiting for a response, file a report online at ececd.vaccinenm.org.



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For more information and assistance related to each of these tools, please visit nmececd.org/early-childhood-professionals (scan code to the left) or contact your Compliance Officer/Child Care Specialist.



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Sign up for ECECD's weekly newsletter at bit.ly/36kZEQC. The **community newsletter** includes announcements, events, health and safety requirements, and professional development opportunities.