

Empowering Child Care With **FREE** Professional Development Training



 Web-Based Trainings

April – June 2026

First Children's Finance has great business planning and professional development opportunities available from April-June 2026. These training sessions and Business Leadership Cohorts can help provide you with the tools and knowledge to make your business more successful!

FCF also offers 1-on-1 consulting to child care businesses! Our consulting services focus on the essential business components necessary to create and maintain high-quality child care businesses. Whether you need help with day-to-day operations or want to plan a strategic future for your business, we have the ability to assess your unique circumstances and work through the decisions with you.

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STATEWIDE OFFERINGS

[Register](#)

Precision Pricing for Your Child Care Center (Centers)

April 23 | 12:30–2:30 pm

(2 MiRegistry training hours; MiRegistry Event ID: 192054)

Explore the current state of child care and the factors that contribute to child care business challenges. Complete a SOAR analysis. Understand the process for pricing your business services. Identify strategies to increase your business acumen.

[Register](#)

Policies and Practices for Child Care Business Management (Centers)

May 12 | 12:30–2:30 pm

(2 MiRegistry training hours; MiRegistry Event ID: 192301)

Learn how to effectively implement policies, procedures, and systems that support stable program operations. Identify and examine how to organize and create standard policies and procedures manual for their program.

[Register](#)

Developing a Child Care Center Policy and Procedures Manual for Parents (Centers)

June 23 | 12:30–2:30 pm

(2 MiRegistry training hours; MiRegistry Event ID: 192314)

Explore the primary components of a Child Care Center Policy and Procedure Manual for parents. Identify gaps and opportunities for creating or updating your existing Policy and Procedure manual for parents.

To register for a training, click the Register button or log into your MiRegistry account and search using the Event ID.



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DETROIT-BASED OFFERINGS *(Funding provided by the JPMorgan Chase Foundation)*

Register

Planning for the Future: Annual Budget and Cash Flow Projections (Centers)

April 7 | 6-9 pm (2 MiRegistry training hours; MiRegistry Event ID: 192049)

Learn basic budgeting concepts. Explore income and expense sections of a budget. Discuss purpose of budgeting and the different types of budgets. Understand the purpose of projecting cash flow. Break down the sections of a cash flow statement. Analyze a child care business case study to identify strategies to manage cash flow. Identify strategies to manage cash flow using First Children's Finance business management resources.

Register

Planning for the Future: Accounting and Financial Statements (Home-Based)

May 19 | 12:30-2:30 pm (2 MiRegistry training hours; MiRegistry Event ID: 192302)

Learn basic accounting terms and review commonly used financial statements. Break down sections of an income and expense statement, a cash flow statement, and a balance sheet. Analyze a case study to determine financial health of a child care business. Identify strategies of how to use financial statements to inform business decisions.

Register

Policies and Practices for Home-Based Providers (Home-Based)

June 2 | 12:30-2:30 pm (2 MiRegistry training hours; MiRegistry Event ID: 192303)

Family child care providers will gain a better understanding of the importance of strong policies for your business. You will learn how to create your own policy manual and contract or revise what you have to increase its effectiveness. Finally, you will learn strategies to help with enforcing your policies.

Register

Business Leadership Cohort Series for Home-Based Providers (Home-Based)

6-9 pm (8 MiRegistry training hours; MiRegistry Event ID: 192318)

(Session 1) **May 20** (Session 2) **June 3** (Session 3) **June 24** (Session 4) **July 1**

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Enrollment Management and Marketing | Financial Management | Financial Analysis Individual Consult #1
Staffing | Develop a Plan of Action | Goal Setting Individual Consult #2

SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN-BASED OFFERINGS *(Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties)*

Register

Injecting Quality into Your Home-Based Child Care Business (Home-Based)

May 7 | 6-8 pm (2 MiRegistry training hours; MiRegistry Event ID: 192065)

Explore new opportunities for quality in your individual professional development, program offerings, and business operations. Using the case study of Angie's Daycare - walk through Angie's own evaluation of where she is at and how she can improve her outcomes with quality.

Register

Business Leadership Cohort Series for Child Care Centers (Centers)

6-9 pm (12 MiRegistry training hours; MiRegistry Event ID: 192316)

(Session 1) **April 2** (Session 2) **April 16** (Session 3) **May 14** (Session 4) **May 21**

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