

Caring Connections offers visits to new Child Care Providers in Otter Tail County

Child Care Resource and Referral, in partnership with the Otter Tail Family Services Collaborative, is offering information and support to newly licensed Otter Tail County Child Care Providers. Caring Connections Child Care Provider Visits are designed to help child care providers improve the quality of care by offering information on issues related to health and safety, family relationships, literacy and guidance. Visits are voluntary and are offered at no charge to providers.

Visits will:

- recognize and build on existing strengths
- focus on the interests and needs of the providers
- be offered at times convenient to providers
- identify solutions, rather than problems
- provide resources to support providers in delivering quality care
- strengthen the relationships between:
 - providers and the children in their care
 - providers and families
 - parents and their child
 - families and their schools
 - families and their communities

LuAnn Harris, Child Care Resource and Referral Regional Child Care Specialist, will be doing all the Child Care Provider Visits. LuAnn has served Otter Tail County child care providers since 1998 by assisting with:

- provider start-up
- provider support
- business issues
- employer issues
- community involvement
- recruitment and retention

Caring Connections is supported by the Otter Tail Family Services Collaborative, a partnership of Otter Tail County, its schools and non-profit agencies that work together to serve families to improve lives. For more information about Caring Connections Child Care Provider Visits contact LuAnn Harris at 1.218.998.2359.