

Child care and early learning updates e-newsletter

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Welcome to The Regional Municipality of Durham's child care and early learning updates e-newsletter. These e-newsletters provide licensed child care operators in Durham Region with updated information related to child care.

This edition includes the following topics:

- Financial empowerment: Fall 2024 Mobile ID and Benefits Access Hubs
- Early Learning Leadership Event
- Ongoing communication reminder

Financial empowerment: Fall 2024 Mobile ID and Benefits Access Hubs

The Region of Durham is offering Mobile ID and Benefits Access Hubs in seven locations in October and November.

The hubs will help clients and residents living with low income to:

- Open a Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP) and apply for the Canada Learning Bond.
- Access Social Insurance Numbers (SINs), birth certificates, and other forms of ID.
- Get their taxes filed for free.
- Sign up for the new Canadian Dental Care Plan.
- Learn about other income-boosting benefits that they may be eligible for.

Representatives from Service Canada, the Canada Revenue Agency, and Social Services will be present at events. Questions? Please email LivingwithLowIncome@durham.ca and/or see the attached posters for more information.

Help promote Durham's Mobile ID and Benefits Access Hubs by printing and posting the attached posters areas visible to families and staff.

Early Learning Leadership Event

The Early Learning Leadership Event will be held on Tuesday, October 8 at Trillium Trails Banquet and Conference Centre.

The event will be a day filled with insightful discussions, networking opportunities, and professional development. Do not miss out on the chance to connect with like-minded individuals and gain valuable knowledge to enhance your leadership skills in the early learning and child care sector.

Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe is the keynote speaker. Dr. Robyne is a resiliency and wellness scholar, and is described as one of the most sought-after, engaging, thought-provoking, and truly transformative international speakers in her field.

[Registration](#) is open for the leadership community.

Ongoing Communication Reminder

As part of our commitment to ensuring seamless operations and effective transitions for new supervisors, we kindly remind head office staff to notify the Region of Durham Children's Services Division when there is a change in supervisors at a child care centre. This notification is required to schedule and provide training for the use of the Ontario Child Care Management System (OCCMS) and the SharePoint Operator Portal for child care attendance tracking and fee subsidy placement management.

Please send notifications to ChildCareTechSupport@durham.ca.