TPP Tidbits

Just some little bits of information to help you with your quality programing.

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Rule Focus

Hand washing is a huge part of a child care professional's workday. The Office of Child Care (OCC) rules are very specific about when adults and children must wash their hands.

In the Sanitation section of the OCC Center rule book (414.300.180) it states under 6b that: "Staff shall wash their hands with soap and warm running water before and after changing a diaper, before and after feeding a child or handling food and after assisting a child with toileting or wiping the nose." 6c goes on to say: "Infants' and children's hands shall be washed with soap and warm running water after diaper changing."

Some of you may feel that wiping an infant's hands with a moist towelette is sufficient. This is mentioned as an option in 6e, but only when hand washing is not available like on field trips or on the playground.

Be sure to check with your OCC licensing specialist if you have questions about this rule.

Save the Date!

The 5th Annual Teen Parent Program Training Seminar and Networking Day

Friday, October 7th, 2016 Lane County ESD

Eugene, Oregon

As far as I know there are no major conflicts with this date (like Thursday night football games) but if you have a hotel you would like to stay in you may want to make your reservations now to be sure to get a room. You can always cancel later if you change your mind about staying the night.

Opportunities, Opportunities

Retreat By The Lake, Southwest Oregon Community College OAEYC Chapter's annual conference. June 17th & 18th, Coos Bay. For more information click: http://www.socc.edu/careconnections

Oregon Early Learning Leadership Conference, a new conference designed for leadership development and support. July 22nd, Portland area. Watch for more information soon. (QI funds from your subsidy contract will be able to pay for this.)

Did you miss the online campus tour for Ask Phoenix Solutions? Here is the link to view the recorded session: https://www.anymeeting.com/470-322-697/E952D68487483F Remember you can use your QI funds from your subsidy contract to pay for approved courses through APS.

Resources, Resources

Early Educator Central, ECE career pathway information and wonderful, free infant toddler video clips. https://earlyeducatorcentral.acf.hhs.gov

Read about the latest teen birth rate information: https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/to-your-health/wp/2016/04/28/teen-birth-rate-hits-all-time-low-led-by-50-percent-decline-among-hispanics-and-blacks/