

# Virginia Preservice Training For Child Care Staff

## Virginia's Health and Safety Training Course

**NOW AVAILABLE** - "Virginia Preservice Training for Child Care Staff." This new, **FREE**, 10-hour course introduces child care staff to important health and safety information. Completion of the training is required for all staff who work in a program that participates in the Virginia Child Care Subsidy Program. However, all child care staff working in a child care program in Virginia are *welcome and strongly encouraged* to take this FREE course.

*(Please check with your employer to determine if you are required to complete this training and/or additional training.)*

### ABOUT TRAINING

The Virginia Preservice Training course covers the following topics:

- ▶ Emergency Preparedness
- ▶ Prevention and Control of Infectious Diseases
- ▶ Food and Allergic Reactions
- ▶ Shaken Baby Syndrome/Abusive Head Trauma
- ▶ Safe Sleep and SUIDS Prevention
- ▶ Safe Spaces
- ▶ Transportation Safety
- ▶ Handling and Storage of Hazardous Materials
- ▶ Medication Safety
- ▶ Inclusion of All Children
- ▶ Healthy Teeth for Children
- ▶ Recognition and Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect
- ▶ Foundations of Child Development and Approaches to Learning
- ▶ Introduction to Virginia's Child Care Subsidy Program and Benefits of Program Licensure

### HOW TO ACCESS

1. Go to [www.childcareva.com](http://www.childcareva.com)
2. Click on Training & Professional Development (under the Provider tab), and
3. Click on "Start Training" (*You will be directed to Better Kid Care's On-Demand Web Lessons Sign-in page. If you have a BKC account, sign in, and select "Virginia Preservice Training for Child Care Staff" at the bottom of the alphabetical listing. If you have not used BKC before, you will need to register as a new user first, and then choose the training from the alphabetical listing.*)

### COST

Available FREE of charge for all Virginia child care staff August 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019

### PLEASE NOTE

- ▶ Staff may start/stop the course multiple times while working through the material
- ▶ Each user must have their own individual email address to set up a Better Kid Care account
- ▶ For additional information, please see the **Frequently Asked Questions**
- ▶ For questions about the Virginia Preservice Training course, email: [cecdadmin@dss.virginia.gov](mailto:cecdadmin@dss.virginia.gov)
- ▶ For technical assistance, call the Better Kid Care Help Line: 800/452-9108

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