



## Glendale Strong Family Network

Thursday, February 8, 2024

1:00 - 2:30pm meeting via Zoom

### Attendees

Brenda Cardena Adelante Healthcare	Liz Palma Glendale CAP
Justine McDilda DES Division of Childcare	Pamela Morrison Phoenix Rescue Mission
Elvia Zaragoza-SWHD	Marina Hernandez Adelante Healthcare
Leslee Miele-Glendale Elementary School Dist.	Leticia Abarca City of Glendale CAP
Jennifer Cohan Resilient Health	Alma Ramirez Valleywide Health
Meli Acevedo Mountain Park Health Center	Peggy Peixoto
Nicole Olvera DES Division of Childcare	Natalee Sticht CAC
Lisa Vallee DES/Arizona Early Intervention Program	Nicole Yezzi
Greg Kinder Glendale Public Library	Alma Ramirez
Martin Nowakowski Maricopa County Public Health	Aimee Sitzler CAC
Noemi Leva Molina Healthcare	Francis's iPhone
Maria Teresa Clay City Glendale Community Action	Olivia Lucio
Maria Elena Ruiz-Catholic Charities West Side	LPalma

### Barrier Busters:

- Denis Parcels - family member passing - undocumented - doesn't qualify for certain resources
  - From Mexico - contact Mexico consulate
  - Maricopa County - Funeral assistance program covers \$1200 - Not public health but Human services (Martin Nowakowski)
  - <https://www.maricopa.gov/5741/Funeral-Assistance-Program>
- Leslee Miele - housing - issues with older and younger - no options - evicted/losing housing - what other options?
  - Denis - what about those families not yet evicted but on the verge?
  - Justine: Arizona Rental Assistance alleviates housing instability for eligible low income seniors and families with children. Eligible households may receive a lump-sum assistance payment equal to three (3) times the household's monthly rent, not to exceed \$10,500. Program benefits may be used to cover rental arrears, future rent, and rent late fees and penalties.
  - <https://des.az.gov/ARAP>
- Lisa Vallee - APS program options to reduce monthly bills
- Justine - childcare help (flyer)

# Non-Certified Relative Provider (NCRP) Requirements

**DEFINITION:** Non-Certified Relative Provider means a person who is at least eighteen years of age, who provides child care services to an eligible child, who is by blood or marriage or by court decree the grandparent, great-grandparent, sibling not residing in the same household, aunt, great-aunt, uncle or great-uncle of the eligible child and who meets the department's requirements to be a noncertified relative provider.

Eligible families receiving Child Care Assistance can choose to receive child care services from several categories of child care providers including a Non-Certified Relative Provider (NCRP). Eligible families interested in selecting a family member as their child care provider must contact their child care specialist.

**An NCRP must be able to check all boxes below. An NCRP must:**

- Be at least 18 years of age;
- Be legally eligible to work in the United States;  
*(Complete Contractor Eligibility Verification form and provide required documentation.)*
- Be one of the following to the DES eligible child by blood, marriage, or court decree:
 

✓ Aunt	✓ Uncle	✓ Great-Aunt	✓ Great-Uncle
✓ Grandparent	✓ Great-Grandparent	✓ Adult sibling who does not live in the same household.	

*If you are related to the eligible child in any other way, you are NOT eligible to become an NCRP.*
- Obtain a Level 1 Fingerprint Clearance Card from the Arizona Department of Public Safety;
- Pass a Department of Child Safety background check;
- Participate in the NCRP Onboarding and complete and submit an NCRP Application Packet to the Certification Specialist;
- Review, agree, and abide by all terms in the NCRP Child Care Provider Registration Agreement;
- Accept the NCRP reimbursements rates listed on the *Maximum Reimbursement Rates for Child Care (CCA-1227A)* form minus the family required co-payment;
- Keep records of the child care provided for a minimum of five years;
- Understand that monies received in payment for childcare services may be taxable income and may affect benefits such as Nutrition Assistance, Social Security, etc.;
- Not be a member of the eligible family's TANF Cash Assistance unit;
- Understand that all child care must be provided in the state of Arizona at the specified location on the NCRP Child Care Provider Registration Agreement; and
- Understand there is the option to become a DES Certified Family Child Care Provider.

## For more information on NCRP please call:

Maricopa and surrounding counties 602-771-9219  
or Pima and surrounding counties 520-638-2601



<https://des.az.gov/services/child-and-family/child-care>

### Partner/Resource Highlight - Interest for March?

Let Peggy know!

### 211/Solari Collaboration Update:

- Not very family friendly
- GSFN - geographically specific available resources - address/phone numbers for Glendale Offices
- Cross reference resource list for GSFN and 211
- Cross reference partners list
- **Option to opt out of 211 list if agency does not align - let Peggy know - deadline - Feb 15th!**

- Vision : searchable, printable, geographic specific resources, family accessible needs to be updated regularly! GSFN to help
- Contexture - partnership with Access - closed loop referral system
- Possibility to have a representative to come out and present the closed loop referral system

### **Glendale Coalition Update:**

- Beyond Housing - Partnership (St Louis model) - looking to adopt something similar, specifically for 85301  
Housing + additional services
- Beginning stages!! More to come
- How do we engage the community? You guys are the subject matter experts to guide larger coalition
- Martin - what current resources are available? What is already out there? How can we be intentional? "Coalition of the Willing"

### **2nd Training Event:**

- For network partners and staff; considering "3rd spaces" (ie: libraries, laundromats, barber shops)
- April (tentative)
- Topics of Interest/Need?
  - Justine - preventing child sexual abuse
  - Meli - interpersonal/sexual abuse and violence
  - Arizona coalition to end sexual and domestic violence is a GREAT resource
  - Child trafficking
  - Leslee - Things happening to children on gaming sites - Trafficking
  - Jennifer Montoya Victim Advocate at Childhelp. [jmontoya@childhelp.org](mailto:jmontoya@childhelp.org)

### **July Event Planning:**

- Peggy working on sponsorship packages and opportunities
- To do: get a meeting of planning on the calendar, the sooner the better (late Feb/early Mar)
- Location: System of Care - July last year just so hot; possible 2024 - Desert Diamond Casino (TBD)
- Lisa Vallee - suggestion to reach out to local businesses for sponsorship
- Digital payment portal coming!
- Justine McDilda - Chandler did their annual golf for disabilities back in November and they were able to get items donated for a silent auction so that the funds raised could be used to help support the event.

### **Partner Updates and Good News:**

- Denis - the vita tax (A New Leaf - other locations as well) - volunteer income tax assistance program - wed 3-6pm through end of tax season ; Income cap: <\$65,000
- Justine - Child Care Development Fund, or CCDF plan, is a key public document that describes how a Lead Agency will operate its program to meet Child Care Development Fund regulatory requirements, and it is essential to the Federal Office of Child Care's oversight of CCDF implementation.
- Over the next 6 months, DCC will be working on a FFY 2025-2027 CCDF State Plan. As we work through the State Plan, we will be seeking input from our Arizona Tribes and our stakeholders.
- Completion of the state plan does involve a public comment period, look for this towards end of April early May.
- Link to the CCDF State Plan

- <https://des.az.gov/sites/default/files/media/AZ-CCDF-State-Plan-FFY-2022-2024-Amendment-4.pdf?time=1704313032044>
- Leslee - Former Provider - free birthing classes and other baby classes, including training doulas - Lauren Michael - feed in to other infant programs and resources
- ASU Academy of lactation
- Jen Cohan - Fresh start women foundation - free education and training 18+ (banking careers, trades, emt career training, certificate programs, etc) [freshstartwomen.org](http://freshstartwomen.org)
  - Free "Law Days" - legal advice
  - Free Leadership lunch - men and women invited - 1x/month on a Wednesday
- Young Parent University Event Saturday, April 6 9:00am – 1:00pm
  - Simone Tavassoli <[simone@pcaaz.org](mailto:simone@pcaaz.org)>
  - <https://pcaaz.org/young-parent-university/>

**Next Meeting**

**March 14th**

**Via Zoom**

**1:00pm – 2:30pm**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88155373136?pwd=eDhuUUJoWEYrc0M0blo4ODBkTGIPdz09>