



Community Connection Point is a regional referral agency with the mission of assisting families in obtaining community resources and quality, affordable childcare to help children reach their greatest potential.

At Community Connection Point, we believe that all children should be cared for in a safe and nurturing environment that is affordable for their families, which will provide opportunities for them to grow, flourish and learn.

CCP strives to ensure families have access to quality childcare and education options within the Illinois counties of Christian, Logan, Macoupin, Mason, Menard, Montgomery, Morgan, Sangamon and Scott.

Community Connection Point

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8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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**Connecting
you with the
resources your
family needs
to thrive**



Connecting Families

Community Connection Point offers just that – a point of connection between you and the community resources your family needs to thrive and to help your children reach their greatest potential.

Through the Child Care Assistance Program, funded by the Department of Human Services, your family may be eligible to **receive financial help** in paying for childcare, as well as information about community agencies that provide other social services to families.

Community Connection Point can offer assistance in your child care search by helping determine what you need to consider before you make a final selection, and provide detailed information about child care options.

CCP can also **provide referrals** to help locate child care programs near your home, school or work, based on your family's needs. We are unable, however, to license, endorse or recommend a certain provider.

Connecting Families to Community Resources

Our caring team at Community Connection Point collaborates with agencies, programs and resources across the communities we serve with one end goal in mind: affordable, accessible, quality care for children that will lead families to a successful future.

Visit **CCPoint.org** for resources on:

- The Child Care Assistance Program and how to apply
- Online Child Care Search through ExceleRate Illinois
- Community Events

For more information

call: (217) 525-2805 or email: info@CCPoint.org



Connecting Providers

Community Connection Point is dedicated to improving the quality of child care in the counties we serve. We believe that high quality care is best attained through the education and support of quality care providers.

At Community Connection Point, we can help you discover and pursue new opportunities to advance your career and improve your skills working with children and families – from acquiring accreditation to attending a professional conference. We are able to connect you with resources and help you apply for funding to assist you in providing the best child care possible to your families.

CCP's Training and Technical Assistance Advisors and the Professional Development Advisor help providers gain the knowledge you need for certification and licensing.

Connecting you to the resources you need to offer quality child care to families in our community.



Our technical assistance and resources are available to all levels of child care providers for services such as professional development, business start-up and program improvement. Our designated specialists can provide home visits or observations of your child care program and provide recommendations where applicable.

Our online **training calendar** provides current information about upcoming training courses, workshops, conferences, and DCFS approved trainings.

Professional development courses with certification are now available online through our collaboration with the Child Care Education Institute and ilearning. We also offer **grants & scholarships** to help with training and accreditation costs.

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The specialists help improve the program quality, implement facility improvements, and will assist with eligibility and application procedures for the Illinois Quality Recognition and Improvement System (QRIS) certification. *This certification brings increased IDHS Child Care Assistance Program daily reimbursement rates.*

CCP also offers **free marketing** of child care programs to prospective parents through our child care referral program.

Our **Resource Center** offers literacy activities, books, and themed boxes available for use by any child care program, parent, or community partner

Our **Consultant Team** is readily available to answer questions regarding program quality improvements. Consultants specialize in infant/toddler, preschool, and school-age care in both Center and Family Child Care settings. Our Mental Health Consultant can help staff with social/emotional needs for children from birth through 12 years of age.

Visit **CCPoint.org** for resources on:

- Accreditation
- The Child Care Assistance Program
- Quality Improvement
- Professional development and training programs (including scholarships)

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