Maryland EXCELS Exceeds Participation Goals

Currently, there are a total of 1,186 participating programs and 160 programs have published their ratings on www.MarylandExcels.org. In fact, Maryland EXCELS has surpassed its overall goal for the Race to the Top Early Learning Challenge grant recruitment for the first year of full implementation (July, 2013 – June, 2014) as well as for participation by every program type except Public Prekindergarten.

Updated Maryland EXCELS Presentation Now Available

An updated Maryland EXCELS presentation has recently been added to MarylandExcels.org. Both printable (http://tinyurl.com/mdexcelspptprint) and downloadable (http://tinyurl.com/mdexcelsppt) presentations are available to help provide an introduction to the system.

Deadline Extended for Child Care Subsidy Programs to Publish Their Maryland EXCELS Rating

Though Maryland EXCELS is a voluntary system, programs and providers must apply and publish their check level rating by 2015 in order to maintain Child Care Subsidy reimbursements. The deadline to register and apply remains January 1, 2015. But now, programs will have until December 31, 2015 to request to publish their rating to MarylandExcels.org.

Revised Maryland EXCELS Standards Coming Soon

Maryland EXCELS Standards have undergone revision and clarification based upon field test and stakeholder feedback and will be released in early 2014. Programs currently participating in Maryland EXCELS will have one year from the date of release to meet the new standards. Stay tuned!

Providers are Talking about Maryland EXCELS...

Maryland EXCELS... is online and easy to navigate; you are assigned a Program Coordinator who will help you if you have any questions or if you’re having trouble with something... I encourage other providers to participate in Maryland EXCELS.

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Find Out More About Maryland EXCELS at www.MarylandExcels.org

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