

# Provider Support

## How Can NECN Help You?

NECN is funded through a Coordinated Family and Community Engagement grant from the Department of Early Education and Care. As part of our grant, we help provide linkages to professional development opportunities for early education and care providers in Natick.

NECN can offer providers referrals to mental health consultants and other services that may be needed at your location.

As part of the QRIS, licensed early education and care providers are required to meet standards involving community engagement. NECN has multiple volunteer opportunities for providers throughout the year. This results in a mutually beneficial relationship as your organization provides support to us, we help you meet QRIS requirements as well as provide an opportunity to inform the community about your center or family child care.

## Directors Collaborative

The Directors Collaborative is a group of early education and care providers from Framingham and Natick. Our meetings give providers an opportunity to network, share ideas, and resources, as well as gather information about licensure. Meeting locations alternate from Framingham and Natick and are supported by Early Childhood Alliance of Framingham and Natick Early Childhood Network.

**Thursday, February 9; 9:00-10:00a**

**The Cole Center  
179 Boden Lane, Natick**

## NECN Council

The NECN Council is a group of community organizations, parents, childcare providers, and others dedicated to supporting Natick families. The purpose of the council is to address perceived challenges in accessibility and availability of services through collaboration and measure NECN's progress in meeting objectives. Together we can weave a network of quality opportunities for families in Natick!

January 18th; 7:30-9p @ Natick Service Council

## Professional Qualifications Registry Information

All educators must be registered on EEC's Professional Qualifications Registry (PQ Registry) before they can enroll in any professional trainings or college courses. This includes educators in licensed AND license-exempt programs. Your official PQ Registry number is required on all application forms. To find out more about the PQ Registry, talk to your Director or supervisor, or go to:  
<https://www.eec.state.ma.us/PQRegistry/>

For EEC's Statewide Training Calendar Visit:  
[www.eec.state.ma.us/ProfessionalDevelopment/  
WebFindTrainings.aspx](http://www.eec.state.ma.us/ProfessionalDevelopment/WebFindTrainings.aspx)

## Local Professional Development Opportunities

### From COMPASS for Kids

**[www.parentingresourceassociates.org](http://www.parentingresourceassociates.org)**

*Communicating Effectively: Is Anybody Listening?*

Tuesdays, January 24 & 31; 1:00-9:00

Whitney Place, 3 Vision Drive, Natick

\$50 fee

*Building Positive Parent Partnerships*

Monday, February 6; 7:00-9:00p

Whitney Place, 3 Vision Drive, Natick

\$25 fee

### From CCRC, Inc

**[www.cccrcinc.org](http://www.cccrcinc.org)**

For More Info Contact: Linda Zicko, 617-547-1063 x237

*Behavior Management: ED228*

Thursdays, January 19– May 17; 6:30-9:30p

MassBay Community College, 50 Oakland St, Wellesley

\$50 fee + cost of books

*College Writing: WR100*

Wednesdays, January 18– May 16; 5:30-9:30

MassBay Community College, 19 Flagg Drive, Framingham

\$50 fee + cost of books

*Early Childhood Curriculum: ED203*

Saturdays, January 21– March 3; 8:30a-2:30p

MassBay Community College, 19 Flagg Drive, Framingham

\$50 fee + cost of books

### From The Early Childhood Professionals Association

**[www.tecpa.org](http://www.tecpa.org)**

**508-655-3813**

*Helping Children with Worries, Anxieties and Fears*

Wednesday, January 18; 6:30-8:30p (6p light dinner)

Morse Institute Library, 14 E. Central St, Natick

\$25 fee

*Transitions: Children's Crises or Opportunities*

Thursday, February 16; 6:30-8:30p (6p light dinner)

Morse Institute Library, 14 E. Central St. Natick

\$25 fee

### Nurturing Parents & Teachers

**Jill Vetstein, LICSW, MSW, CIMI**

**[www.nurturingparentsandteachers.com](http://www.nurturingparentsandteachers.com)**

**508-523-3111**

**[jvetstein@gmail.com](mailto:jvetstein@gmail.com)**

*Raising Kids Positively: Discipline vs. Punishment*

Wednesday, January 25; 7:00-9:00p

Jam Time Indoor Play and Enrichment Center

86 Powder Mill Rd, Maynard

\$25 fee

*First Year of Life*

Thursday, February 2; 7:30-9:30p

House of Dance, 387 Boston Post Rd, Sudbury

\$25 fee

### Lesley University

**[Yazmin Colon Garcia ycolon@lesley.edu](mailto:Yazmin.Colon.Garcia@lesley.edu)**

*Anti-Bias Curriculum: A Whole School Does the Work*

Thursday, January 12; 4:30-6:30p

University Hall, 1815 Mass Ave, Cambridge

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