Our Mission: Building excellence in early care and learning systems while advancing equal access for all children in our community. We accomplish this through education, advocacy and support for families and early childhood professionals.

Our Vision: Every Child is cared for in a high quality, safe and nurturing environment that cultivates healthy development, early learning and joy.
Parent Services: Connecting CNY Families to High Quality Child Care

+13%
Referrals & consults completed compared to previous year.

3,961 Families in Onondaga & Cayuga County received personalized referrals to meet their individual needs, and consultations on how to identify high quality child care programs.

1,419 Legally Exempt providers enrolled, who provide care for families qualifying for county assistance to pay for care through the Child Care Subsidy program.

"I got the referrals in the mail immediately, 1-2 days later. You provide a great service – I don’t see anything that needs to be improved! It was nice to see how many resources you could provide to me."
- Onondaga County Parent

Provider Services: Promoting Wellness & Healthy Growth Through CACFP

The federally funded Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) is designed to help ensure that children are served meals and snacks that meet their nutritional needs.

Each month an average of 180 providers in CNY participate in CACFP.

Last year, CACFP reimbursed the food costs for 828,967 meals and snacks meeting USDA requirements.

Helping a monthly average of 2,148 CNY children establish healthy eating habits for life.

Management Team

Lori Schakow
Executive Director

Krisi Cusa
Director of Professional Development

Shannon Gillen
Director of Professional Development

Beth Henderson
Director of Registration

Mike Ransom
Finance Director

Professional Development: Helping Providers Enhance The Quality of Their Care

36 New child care businesses opened with the assistance of Child Care Solutions.

34 Family Day Care Homes & 2 School Age Child Care Programs

We offered 296 professional development opportunities for 4,448 attendees.

+5.5% Increase in attendance compared to previous year.

55 Onsite training workshops were held for 1,102 employees.

137 Providers learned how to safely administer medications to children in their program through the Medication Administration Training (MAT) course.

Registration Services: Building a Strong Community of Child Care in CNY

Working to ensure the health & safety of CNY children, we investigated 102 complaints & completed 552 inspections.

Our staff provided 1,570 sessions of basic technical assistance to help assess and improve child care programs.

+21.5% Technical assistance sessions completed compared to previous year.

32 Providers completed the Health & Safety course, which must be completed prior to opening a home day care business in NY.

We held two successful professional development conferences focused on giving providers the tools they need to address and prevent challenging behavior in their programs. Building Better Behavior was held in October 2016, and Positive Behavior = Positive Growth was held March 2017. A total of 212 providers from Central New York were in attendance.
Our Donors: Helping Us Achieve Our Mission Through Financial Contributions

Child Care Solutions offers a sincere thank you to the following individuals & organizations for their generous support throughout the 2016–2017 Fiscal Year - we couldn’t do it without you!

Our Funding Sources

- Department of Health Program Grants
  - $1,342,545
- Office of Children & Family Services
  - $912,259
- Onondaga County Program Grants
  - $698,409
- United Way
  - $45,230
- Program Grants
  - $6,683
- Discretionary Income & Contributions
  - $207,243

Total Revenue: $3,212,369

Our Operating Expenses

- Programming & Services
  - $2,926,921
- Administrative & Fundraising
  - $138,399
- Special Events
  - $20,751

Total Expenses: $3,086,071

95% Of Child Care Solutions’ expenses were directly related to programming for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2017

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