

Report for the Missouri Coordinating Board for Early Childhood
April 5, 2016

Department: Department of Health and Senior Services
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- **Action Items In-progress/Pending:**

- **Announcements:**

CPR/First Aid Training in St. Louis

Community Fire Protection District in the Ferguson area, through a contract with the department's Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, is offering CPR certification and First Aid training for child care providers free of charge. Staff in the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and the Section for Child Care Regulation will provide information to child care providers in the St. Louis area about how to access these services. It is anticipated that at least 100 child care providers could receive CPR certification at no cost to them.

Collaboration Efforts

Staff from the Bureau of Community Food and Nutrition (CFNA) and the Section for Child Care Regulation (SCCR) is working together to increase participation in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and the Move Smart and Eat Smart initiatives in the St. Louis area. Staff identified licensed and license-exempt programs in the area that do not currently participate in CACFP. SCCR and CFNA staff are coordinating efforts to provide information about the program and the benefits it can provide to participating facilities. CFNA staff will contact the providers within a few weeks of the visits to answer any questions the provider may have and provide additional information about the program.

Once those programs have received information about the CACFP program, the focus will shift to providing information about Move Smart and Eat Smart, in an effort to increase participation in these initiatives.

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