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# BCCS PROVIDER Newsletter

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*Stronger Families. Brighter Futures.*

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## FEATURED HOLIDAY

### JULY 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY

Let's celebrate the freedoms we enjoy and the families who make our lives so meaningful.

Enjoy parades, community events, food, and fireworks! Celebrate safely!



## FEATURED HOLIDAY

### JULY 21 GUAM LIBERATION DAY



- ★ Celebrate Guam's freedom with parades, cultural traditions, family gatherings, and island pride.
- ★ Honor our island's history and heritage.
- ★ Support cultural events and local traditions.
- ★ Let's celebrate together as one Guåhan!

## JULY AROUND GUAM

### JULY 3 INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC BAG FREE DAY



Small changes today help keep Guam beautiful tomorrow.

### JULY 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY



Celebrate safely with family, community events, and fireworks.

### JULY 17 WORLD EMOJI DAY



Express kindness and have fun creating your own emoji adventures.

### JULY 21 GUAM LIBERATION DAY



Celebrate Guam's freedom with parades, cultural traditions, family gatherings, and island pride.

### JULY 30 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF FRIENDSHIP



A great day to celebrate friends, family, and acts of kindness.

## CHILD CARE CHOICES

Quality child care comes in many forms! Choose the option that works best for your family.



### CHILD CARE CENTERS

Licensed programs with trained staff, structured routines, and learning environments.



### GROUP OR FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES

Small group settings in a home environment with nurturing care and individual attention.



### RELATIVE OR IN-HOME CARE

Care provided by a trusted relative or caregiver in your home or theirs.

No matter which option you choose, what matters most is that your child feels safe, loved, and supported!

## ELIGIBILITY & REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

To help avoid delays or interruptions to your child care assistance, parents are required to report changes within 10 calendar days of becoming aware of the change.

### IF PARENTS ARE TRANSFERRING THEIR CHILD TO A DIFFERENT CHILD CARE PROVIDER, PLEASE SUBMIT:

- ✓ Change Report Form
- ✓ Updated Child Care Provider Data Form
- ✓ Separation Clearance Form from your previous provider



### IF PARENTS ARE REQUESTING A RATE CHANGE ONLY, PLEASE SUBMIT:

- ✓ Change Report Form
- ✓ Updated Child Care Provider Data Form



Need assistance? Our team is here to help! Call us or stop by our office for guidance.

## SUMMER FAMILY CHALLENGE

Make this summer meaningful! Try these simple ideas together:



**READ TOGETHER**  
Build imagination and language skills.



**STAY HYDRATED**  
Drink water often and stay cool.



**PLAY OUTSIDE**  
Get active and enjoy nature together.



**COOK TOGETHER**  
Make healthy meals and create memories.



**UNPLUG & CONNECT**  
Try screen-free time and talk, laugh, and listen.

## SUMMER SAFETY CORNER



Drink plenty of water.



Wear sunscreen and hats.



Never leave children in vehicles.



Take breaks in the shade or indoors.



Wear light, cool clothing.

A little planning keeps our neni safe and happy all summer long!

## THANK YOU CORNER!

*Si Yuus Maise to everyone who joined us for the Superhero 2K/SK!*

Your energy, support, and community spirit help make a difference for our families!



## TRAININGS & RESOURCES

### PRE-SERVICE ORIENTATION



July 29, 2026  
6:00 PM

Topics include: licensing requirements, program policies and best practices.



### ONGOING TRAININGS



Visit our website for parent resources, upcoming trainings, and more!

### CCDF SATISFACTION SURVEY



The CCDF team will distribute the survey link upon completing the registering process.

[www.guamchildcare.com](http://www.guamchildcare.com)

## GPPD PATH A CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

BCCS accepts GPPD Path A Certifications in-person at our office during the first five business days of the month.



**GPPD Path A Application Period:**  
July 1-8 (reminder that BCCS is closed on Friday July 4)  
8:30am - 4:30pm

**HOW TO APPLY:**  
Click to access the Path A Application.

### SPECIFIC APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- New: Documents supporting highest education completed (Diploma/Transcript/Certificate)
- Renewals: Include your most recent level sheet.
- Re-Evaluations: Include your most recent level sheet AND Letter to ECPD Subcommittee briefly explaining the reason for your re-evaluation request.

Should you require a copy of your Path A Certification please send an email request to [childcare@dpss.guam.gov](mailto:childcare@dpss.guam.gov)

Please click the link below to access frequently asked questions regarding GPPD Path A.

[GPPD Path A FAQ's](#)



Electronic submissions are not accepted, and only child care owners or directors may submit applications.

### OFFICE LOCATION & CONTACT INFORMATION:

Location:  
Terla'je Building, Suite 208,  
194 Hernan Cortez Ave.,  
Hagåtña, Guam

Hours:  
8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Contact:  
(671) 969-7259/7153

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We are committed to supporting children and strengthening families.



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