

# Child Care Health Consultant



"A childcare health consultant offers my center and teachers an extra "hand" on perfecting their quality of care. It helps us with perfecting our sanitation and daily care routines. A childcare health consultant is a wonderful asset to myself, the Director, when it comes to double checking files, immunization reports, and offering training to staff when needed. This program is extremely important to us."  
-Kristen Roland, Director, The Learning Express, Denver

## What is a Child Care Health Consultant?

A Child Care Health Consultant works to improve the health, safety and nutrition of children ages birth to five attending licensed child care centers and family child care homes in Lincoln and Gaston Counties.

A Child Care Health Consultant provides on-site consultations, consultations by phone and professional health and wellness trainings/workshops. Some of the trainings offered include Infant Toddler Safe Sleep & Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Reduction, Common Communicable Diseases in Child Care, Immunizations: Protection Against Disease, Be Active Kids, Playground Safety, Emergency Preparedness and Response for Child Care, Handwashing, Diapering Procedures/Sanitation, and NAP SACC (Nutrition & Physical Activity Self Assessment for Child Care).

These activities are administered by the Gaston and Lincoln County Health Departments and funding is through the Partnership for Children of Lincoln & Gaston Counties.



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# ANNUAL REPORT

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The Partnership for Children of Lincoln & Gaston Counties is a nonprofit organization that provides services for local families and children through Smart Start, North Carolina's award-winning early childhood initiative.

## LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & BOARD CHAIR

### Dear Champions of our Children and Families

It is with great pleasure and pride that the Partnership for Children of Lincoln and Gaston Counties, Inc. presents its annual report for fiscal year 2011-2012 to our stakeholders and community. We hope you enjoy reading about the positive impact on our children's early care and education, health, and family support achieved during the year. Our sincere thanks to all involved in helping our community's children reach their full health and educational potential.



Adrian T. Miller  
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PFCLG Board Chair

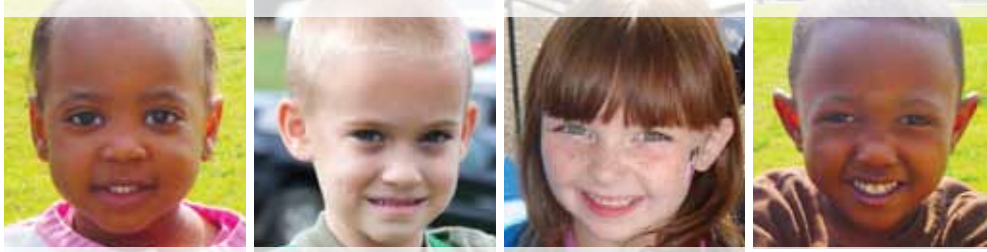
There are only 2,000 days from the birth of a child to when that child enters kindergarten. Decades of research in neuroscience, developmental psychology, and the economics of human capital formation (refer to [www.first2000days.com](http://www.first2000days.com)) confirms:

- Getting things right the first time is easier and more effective than trying to fix them later.
- Early childhood matters because experiences early in life can have a lasting impact on later learning, behavior, and health.
- Highly specialized interventions are needed as early as possible for children experiencing toxic stress, which occurs when prolonged exposure to adverse experiences triggers abnormal levels of stress hormones that can disrupt developing brain circuits.
- All of society benefits from investments in early childhood programs.

We have the opportunity to continue to make a tremendous difference in child development and building a foundation for a prosperous society. Thank you for your partnership in investing in children and families, a return of a lifetime of productivity and responsible citizenship.



Michael E. Linker  
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Executive Director



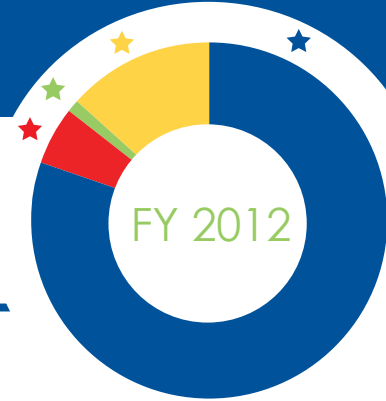
## OUR MISSION

Serving as a leading advocate and collaborative resource to provide access to high quality services for young children.

## OUR VISION

A community where young children will reach their full health and educational potential.

## PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN FUNDING INFO



## EXPENDITURES

### ★ EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION Total \$3,108,118.80

Child Care Subsidy-Gaston Gaston County DSS	\$1,136,000.00
Child Care Subsidy-Lincoln Lincoln County DSS	\$252,322.00
Child Care Subsidy Administration-Gaston Gaston County DSS	\$112,000.00
Child Care Subsidy Administration-Lincoln Lincoln County DSS	\$70,000.00
NC Pre-K: Gaston PFCLG	\$250,809.00
Non-TANF/CCDF Eligible Lincoln County DSS	\$70,000.00
Parent Resource and Referral PFCLG	\$992.85
Child Care Health Consultant-Gaston County Gaston County Health Department	\$54,415.00
Child Care Health Consultant-Lincoln County Lincoln County Health Department	\$52,892.55
Quality Enhancement PFCLG	\$168,354.21
Quality Sustainability PFCLG	\$786,441.34
WAGE\$ Child Care Services Association	\$90,940.00
Individual Professional Development Program PFCLG	\$62,951.85

### ★ FAMILY SUPPORT Total \$230,177.05

Adolescent Parenting Program Lincoln County DSS	\$81,204.00
Family Resource Center-Lincoln County Communities in Schools	\$60,164.36
Very Important Parenting Program-Gaston NC Cooperative Extension-Gaston	\$88,808.69

### ★ HEALTH Total \$39,466.00

Assuring Better Child Health and Development (ABCD) Community Health Partners	\$39,466.00
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### ★ ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS Total \$444,411.44

Administration PFCLG	\$292,407.51
Program Coordination/Collaboration PFCLG	\$76,243.16
Community Outreach Services PFCLG	\$75,760.77

### 2011-2012 PFCLG Total Funding by FYE June 30, 2012 Total \$2,886,777.29

Smart Start Services	\$1,798,503.78
Smart Start Admin	\$292,407.51
NC Pre-Kindergarten Program	\$732,134.00
Division of Child Development	\$63,732.00

### 2011-2012 Cash and In-Kind \$525,852.00



"Children are great imitators.  
So give them something great to imitate."  
~ Anonymous

### PFCLG 2011-2012 AT A GLANCE...

#### How many children?

- \* As of 2010, there are an estimated 20,784 children aged 0-5 in Lincoln and Gaston Counties.
- \* As of June 30, 2012, as estimated 5,156 children aged 0-5 attend licensed child care in Lincoln and Gaston Counties. 73 percent of those were in 4 or 5 star facilities.

#### HOW DID WE HELP?

##### We helped families find quality child care

- \* We helped 365 families find quality child care

##### We helped child care facilities achieve and maintain higher standard of care

- \* 123 child care facilities received Technical Assistance on health, nutrition, sanitation and safety.
- \* 125 child care facilities received Technical Assistance on environmental rating scales and general licensure through our Child Care Health Consultant and QE and QS programs. This served 377 classrooms with children aged 0-5.

##### We helped support the education of child care providers.

- \* 103 Child care providers in 52 child care facilities earned financial incentives for earning college credit impacting nearly 2,500 children through our IPDP program.
- \* 135 child care professionals working in 74 facilities earned a WAGE\$ supplement

##### We helped families improve their parenting skills

- \* 195 families received parenting help through our family support services.

##### We helped improve awareness and enrollment in health services

- \* 83 providers in 12 practices received updated information regarding early intervention including screening and referral processes. 803 children were served in the participating practices



"Children are our most valuable resource."  
~ Herbert Hoover, 31st U.S. president

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