

NORTHAMPTON

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Spring 2025 Child Care Health Advocate

Funded by the Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) and Berks County Intermediate Unit (BCIU)

COURSE INFORMATION

Child Care Health Advocate (EARL160) – Health advocates are early childhood practitioners (directors, lead teacher, and family child care providers) who see to it that their program integrates best practices in health, safety and nutrition, even though they may not perform those practices directly themselves. The course prepares the Child Care Practitioner to function in the role of a Child Care Health Advocate (CCHA). The course will address 15 different health and safety modules as a resource for childcare directors, teachers, assistant teachers, and childcare practitioners. The Child Care Health Advocate who will be working in a child care setting will learn to assess, identify, and prioritize health and safety needs of children and staff.

Format: Blended (taught remotely for 14 weeks online with zoom sessions 6:30-8pm, Tuesdays: Jan 21, 28, Feb 4, 11, Mar 4, 25, Apr 8 and 15, 2025)

Course Code: EARL160.02

Dates: January 21 - May 12, 2025

Tuition, textbooks and your matriculation fee for this funded course are taken care of as a part of funding. Textbooks will be shipped to your address listed in your Workday account (after applying to the college) 1 week after course start. Please do not order them.

To be eligible, you must:

- Work in DHS licensed child care facility in PA. Verification of employment required. Students with fulltime employment status in their childcare centers will take priority, however, part-time students are also eligible.
- Participants must complete a Student Release of Information (FERPA) form with NCC when enrolling.

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

Access to a standard computer (PC with Windows or Mac) equipped with camera and microphone. Chromebooks, iPads, tablets, and smart phones will prevent successful completion of course work and will not work with software used in your course. Supports of technology can be provided if the enrolled student qualifies.

Student tuition, fees and textbooks will be funded by the Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) and and Berks County Intermediate Unit (BCIU). Guidance on application and registration will be emailed to you from your personal email and from your NCC email you are given once you apply to the college.



REGISTRATION

If eligible, scan the QR code or visit survey.sogolytics.com/r/XKNJJB to complete our survey of information.



Those who qualify will receive an email with further instructions on applying and enrolling for EARL160 to start mid February 2025.

