

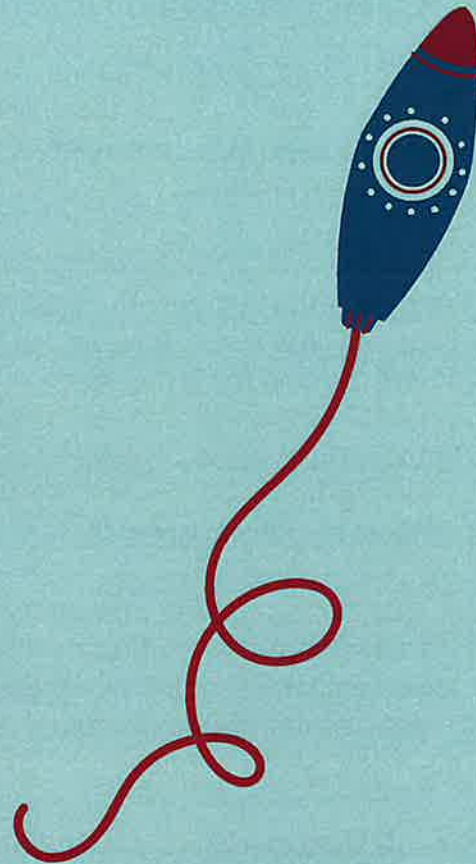
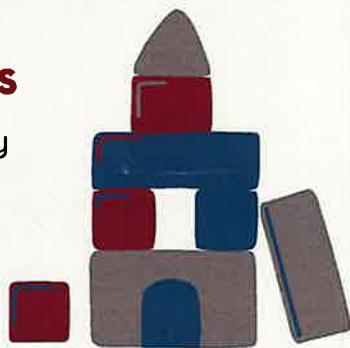
If you have any questions about the process of becoming a **Certified Child Care Provider** or would like to receive information on certification and reside in Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Florence, Forest, Iron, Oneida, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, Vilas, or Washburn Counties in Wisconsin, contact:

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
8 AM to 4 PM



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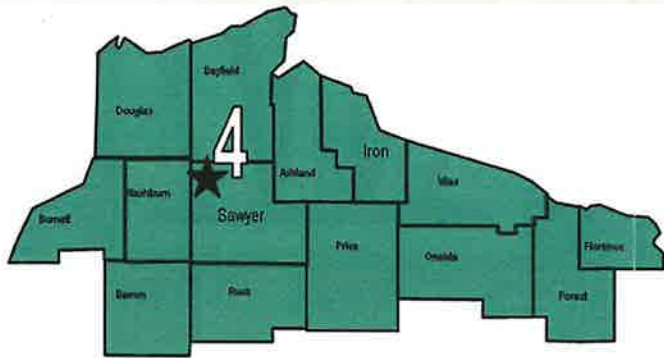
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WHO WE ARE

Northwest Connection Family Resources (NCFR) is a 501(C)3 community-based, non-profit agency. Our primary mission at NCFR is to support and strengthen families and caregivers by building a long-lasting foundation through education, information, referrals, and shared opportunities.



CHILD CARE REGULATION

To begin the regulation process, it is recommended that you attend one of our quarterly outreach meetings. Contact NCFR for the next available session. In addition, during the outreach meeting, you will learn how to complete two trainings required for Certification:

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)
Abuse Head Trauma (AHT)

CERTIFIED FAMILY CHILD CARE

Certified Family Child Care (FCC) may not exceed six children with no more than three children under the age of 7, not related to you, in care at any given time.

Children under the age of 2, including your children, reduce the number of children allowed. Your children over the age of 7 years old do not count in the group size.

Certified Family Child Care Providers are required to have 5 hours of continuing Early Childhood Education training annually.

If you have questions regarding group size, the **Certification Group Size Estimator** is a simulator that can be used for clarification purposes. This resource can be found by visiting:

<https://www.dwd.state.wi.us/dwscpcpl/groUpSizeEstimator/>

LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE

Licensed Family Child Care (FCC) is four or more children under age 7. No more than eight children may be in care at one time, including the provider's children of any age.

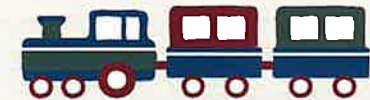
Licensed FCC Providers are required to complete 15 hours of continual Early Childhood Education training annually.

LICENSED GROUP CHILD CARE CENTERS

Licensed Child Care Centers are programs that serve nine or more children. Each center must meet specific regulations of Caregivers to Children Ratio. In addition, training and Early Childhood Education training are required.

If interested in becoming a Licensed Child Care Center Provider, go to the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (DCF) website and read through the pre-licensing information:

<https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/cclicensing/startcc>



WHAT IS WISCONSIN SHARES?

Wisconsin Shares (WI Shares) is a Child Care Subsidy Program that supports eligible families by funding a portion of the cost of child care while the parents are working or participating in an approved activity.

A Wisconsin Child Care Provider who wants to enroll families receiving Wisconsin Shares must be regulated through licensing by the state, certified by a county, tribe, certifying agency, or operated by a Wisconsin public school board.

In addition, to receive Wisconsin Shares Subsidy, Providers are required to participate in the YoungStar Quality Rating & Improvement System. For more information about YoungStar visit www.wisconsinchild.org or call NCFR (800)733-KIDS and ask to speak with a YoungStar Quality Coach.