

Town Hall Meeting: 3-2-2021 Bi-Weekly Update



03.2.2021 Town Hall Agenda

- Welcome
- Child Assessment Period 3, Spring Assessment
- Changes to Child Screening ASQ's
- COVID- Governor DeSantis Executive Order
- Children's Week
- School Readiness Amendments
- Provider Profiles 2021-2022
- Questions



Child Assessment

• Spring Child Assessments are due by April 30th.

Something to Remember

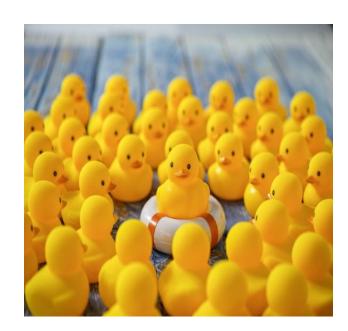
- Be sure all assessments are finalized.
- Finalizing the last Dimension does not finalize all of them.
- When in doubt, Complete and Finalized
- Complete but Not Finalized
- In Progress
- Not Started (

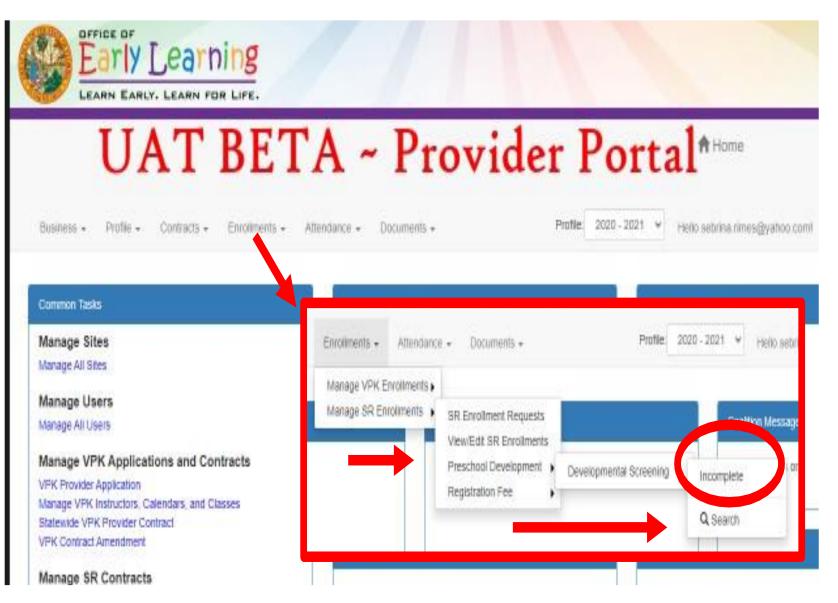






Changes coming to Child Assessment – ASQ's







COVID Vaccination Executive Order

- There is an amendment to an executive order issued by Governor DeSantis regarding who can receive COVID-19 vaccines. This was issued March 1, 2021 and is effective March 3, 2021.
- Included among those who are in the first phase of vaccine administration are K-12 school employees 50 years of age and older
- This does not include childcare workers currently.
- If you would like to comment on this matter, please contact Governor DeSantis
 - Phone number 850-717-9337
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COVID-19 Vaccine Information

To send a letter by mail:
Office of Governor Ron DeSantis
State of Florida
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

The reports of COVID-19 in the childcare centers are down, however Danna Breeden, RN has asked us to remind everyone that we need to remain vigilant in our masking, social distancing, cleaning, and keeping away from large groups. Nothing has changed regarding these methods of prevention. If you have questions, you can call her at 239-825-5218.

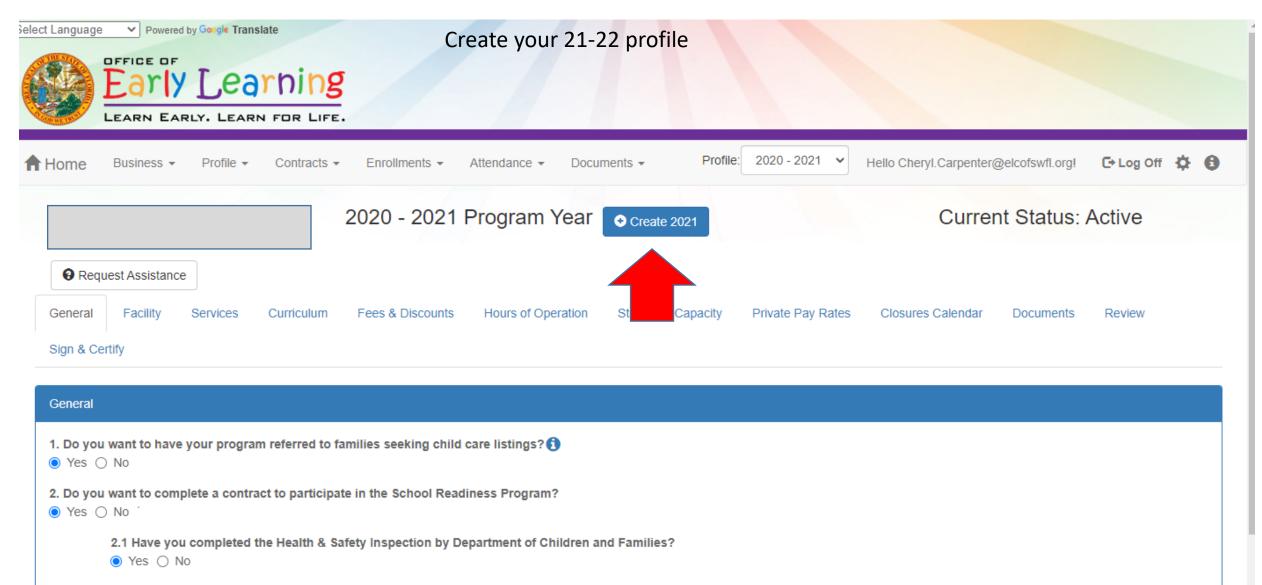
Children's Week- April 4-9, 2021

- Children's Week provides a platform for advocates to deliver the message that every child in Florida should be health, ready to learn and able to achieve their full potential.
- Mail your artwork any time before March 25, 2021
 - The Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend Region
 2639 N Monroe St, Building C
 - Tallahassee, FL 32303



School Readiness Rates Increase

- The ELC maximum school readiness rates have been increased for the majority of children ages B-5.
- Most of you received increases in your rates
- Those increases are effective January 1, 2021
- New rates are available on our website <u>https://elcofswfl.org/school-readiness-information/</u>
- Your payment for January on February 19 included the new rates.
- Amendments were initiated the week of 2/22/21, to document your acknowledgement and agreement to the ELC increased rates.



3. Do you want to complete a contract to participate in the Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program?

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4. Do you want to complete a contract to receive local funding?
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5. Are you a Gold Seal provider?
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General	
 1. Do you want to have your program referred to families seeking child care listings? () Yes O No 	
2. Do you want to complete a contract to participate in the School Readiness Program? ● Yes ○ No [·]	
 2.1 Have you completed the Health & Safety Inspection by Department of Children and Families? Yes O No 	
3. Do you want to complete a contract to participate in the Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program? ● Yes ○ No [·]	
4. Do you want to complete a contract to receive local funding?	
5. Are you a Gold Seal provider? (1) 🛆 Yes () No	
6. Are you an accredited provider?▲ ○ Yes No	
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Announcements & Questions?

- New trainings are available on the ELC website, including more CLASS, ASQ and health trainings. Go to the homepage and click on "Click here to register for trainings" on the bottom of the page.
- Provider Questions from the Chat Box
- Questions/comments from you







Thank you!

Our next meeting will be on 3/16/2021

We will meet every other week on <u>Tuesdays</u> or as announced

Thank you for your continuing support of children and families now, and especially during the ongoing health emergency!

