

HEALTHY CHILD CARE IOWA CHILD CARE NURSE CONSULTANT PROGRAM

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HEALTHY CHILD CARE IOWA (HCCI)

Healthy Child Care Iowa works to improve the quality of health and safety in Early Care and Education (ECE) programs serving infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and school-aged children & their families.

State Performance Measure

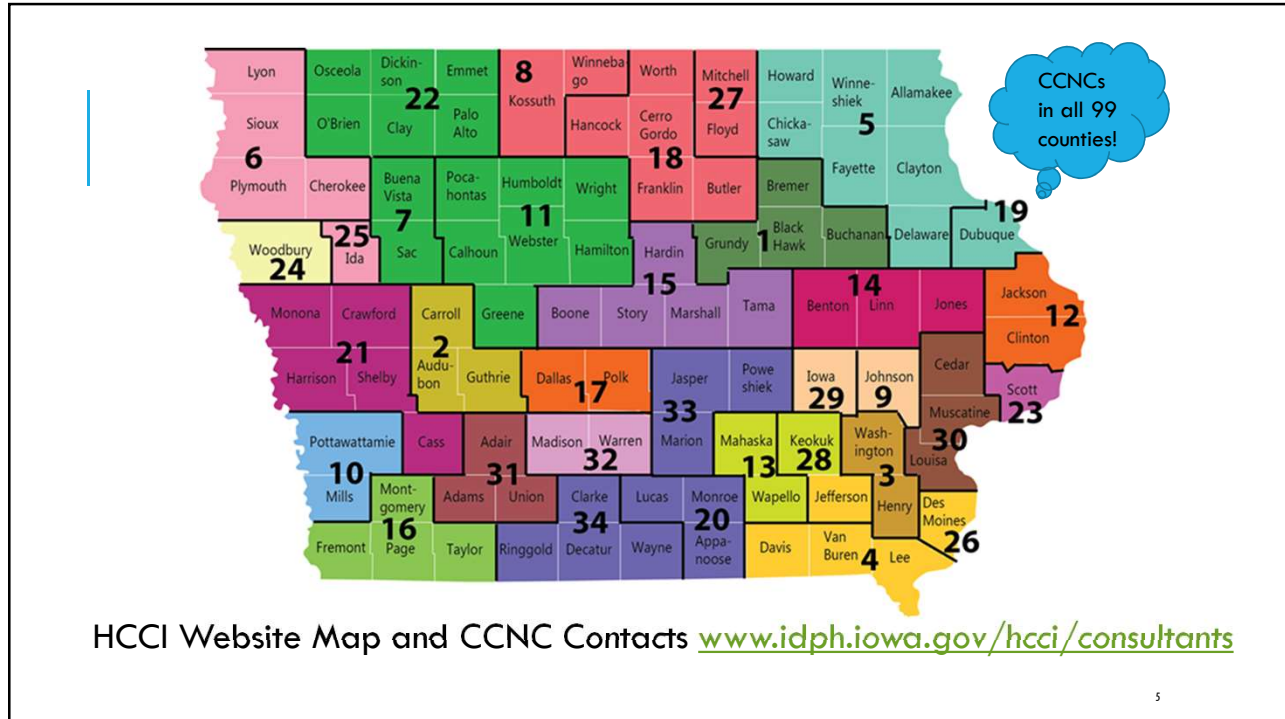
SPM #3: Percent of early care and education programs that receive Child Care Nurse Consultant services

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HEALTHY CHILD CARE IOWA - 20 YEAR HISTORY

- **1995** - Healthy Child Care America
- **1996** - Iowa received \$50,000/yr. for 4 years federal seed \$ to develop Healthy Child Care Iowa
- **2000** - DHS and IDPH BFH join funding to contract for five regional child care nurse consultants (RCCNC)
- **2001** - CCNC services added to the Title V MCH contracts
- **Today** - DHS and IDPH have a written interagency agreement to support HCCI activities/resources at the state level with additional funding (gap filling) for local CCNC services.

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FY20 CCNC YEAR END PERFORMANCE MEASURE DATA

- 34 Child Care Nurse Consultants
- 1759 child care programs participating with a CCNC with 95% improving in health and safety
- 42% of programs statewide participating with CCNCs (up from 37%!)
- 3082 child care visits (face to face and virtual) completed
- 9113 technical assistance provided
- 680 children with special health needs identified, 91% with a care plan in place
- Total # of trainings by CCNCs = 128 (face to face and virtual)
- Total providers trained = 1483
- ECI Funding = \$1,562,129 + Other Funding = \$251,996
- Cost per program = \$1,031

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COVID-19

- Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, CCNCs have provided virtual visits, technical assistance and training to ECE programs.
- Local nurse consultants are seen as an **essential resource** for ECE programs for health and safety questions/concerns/policies.
- Nationally, child care health (nurse) consultation has been indicated as a COVID-19 strategy for protecting the physical well-being of child care providers and children. ([Duke Center for Child and Family Policy Brief. April 2020](#))
- The partnership between local and state DHS, Child Care Resource and Referral and HCCI Child Care Nurse Consultants have **proved critical** for supporting the child care system, keeping children and staff healthy, and child care open for working families.

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FY21 CCNC PERFORMANCE MEASURES (MCAH)

- Number of ECE programs who are participating with CCNC by county (unduplicated-denominator)
- Number of ECE programs receiving CCNC services that improve health and safety conditions in their early learning environments
- Percentage of ECE programs receiving CCNC services that improve health and safety conditions in their early learning environments
- Number of ECE programs participating with CCNC by QRS category levels 1-5 (unduplicated)
- Percent of ECE programs rating a 3 or higher in QRS/IQ4K
- Number of visits to ECE programs by CCNC
- Number of technical assistance contacts to ECE programs by CCNC

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FY21 CCNC PERFORMANCE MEASURES (MCAH)

- Number of special health need by category (unduplicated)
 - Number of children with Asthma
 - Number of children with Allergies (including anaphylaxis)
 - Number of children with Seizures
 - Number of children with Diabetes
 - Number of children with IEP/IFSP
 - Number of children with Other
- Total number of special health needs
- Number of children with special health need with a care plan in place
- Percent of children with a special health need with a care plan in place at the ECE program

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FY21 CCNC PERFORMANCE MEASURES (MCAH)

- Number of HCCI DHS approved trainings provided by the CCNC
- Number in attendance
- Number of participants that reported increased knowledge as a result of HCCI training
- Percent of participants that reported increased knowledge as a result of HCCI training

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CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH NEEDS

- The number of children with a chronic health condition has increased substantially over the last four decades.
- Asthma, allergies, seizures and diabetes are common conditions where CCNCs provide:
 - Consultation
 - Care planning
 - Medication instruction
 - Training
- CCNCs help ensure children with special health needs have equitable access to quality child care.
- CCNC services help to decrease missed education days for children with health conditions and absenteeism for working families.

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SUCCESS STORY

An infant who was diagnosed after birth with several heart abnormalities. The child care program needed the help of the CCNC in order to accommodate the child's needs.

The CCNC assisted with the development, training, and implementation of a special health plan through collaboration with child care center staff, the child's parents, the child's local doctor, and specialists.

The child care center provided 1:1 staffing, medication administration, assessment of oxygen levels, and tube feedings.

The CCNC assisted the parent with training staff on his plan which also included when an ambulance call was warranted (this did happen).

Although initially uncomfortable, the child care staff really stepped up to the plate and recognized the value of having a special health need plan in place and saw how effective it was.

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NEW DATA COLLECTION TOOL FOR FY21

	Set Goal (optional)	July	August	September	Oct quarter	October	November	December	Nov quarter	January	February	March	3rd quarter	April	May	June	End of Year
1	CCNC Performance Measure Data Tracking																
5	Number of ECE programs participating with CCNC in county (unduplicated)																0
6	Number of ECE programs receiving CCNC services that improve health and safety conditions in their early learning environments																0
7	Percent of ECE programs receiving CCNC services that improve health and safety conditions in their early learning environments				#DIV/0!			#DIV/0!					#DIV/0!				#DIV/0!
8	Number of ECE programs participating with CCNC, by QRSIQHK category level 1-5 (unduplicated)	see below rows 9-13															
9	QRSIQHK level 1																0
10	QRSIQHK level 2																0
11	QRSIQHK level 3																0
12	QRSIQHK level 4																0
13	QRSIQHK level 5																0
14	Percent of ECE programs rating a 3 or higher in QRSIQHK	see end column	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	level 3 & higher	0
15	Number of visits to ECE programs by CCNC																0
16	Number of technical assistance contacts to ECE programs by CCNC																0
17	Number of children with Asthma																0
18	Number of children with Allergy (includes anaphylaxis)																0
19	Number of children with Seizures																0
20	Number of Children with Diabetes																0
21	Number of children with EPI/WSP																0
22	Number of children with Other (describe in row 32 under month)																0
23	Total number of special health needs by category (unduplicated)																0
24	Number of special health need with care plan in place at the ECE program	enter number															0
25	Percent of children with a special health need with a care plan in place at the ECE program				#DIV/0!			#DIV/0!					#DIV/0!				#DIV/0!
26	Number of HCCIDHS approved trainings provided by the CCNC (type training in row 31)																0
27	Number in attendance																0
28	Number of participants that reported increased knowledge as a result of HCCI training																0
29	Percent of participants that reported increased knowledge as a result of HCCI training																0

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QUESTIONS?

Thank you!

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