

## Why Do You Need a Child Care Nurse Health Consultant?

- ◆ To promote the health and safety of children in the child care setting in West Virginia.
- ◆ To help interpret health and safety standards and regulations.
- ◆ To provide up-to-date information about health and safety issues.
- ◆ To help manage the care of children with special health needs.
- ◆ To provide information about community services.



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A child care nurse health consultant works with child care providers to promote the health and safety of children in the child care setting. These consultants can provide expert guidance



and technical assistance on a wide range of health and safety topics.

Child care nurse health consultants have the training to access appropriate resources to assist child care providers in successfully including children with special health or medical needs.

West Virginia currently has three child care nurse health consultants who are available to assist child care providers across the state.



## What Can Child Care Nurse Health Consultants Do For You?

- ◆ Assess health and safety needs and practices in the child care setting.
- ◆ Help providers develop strategies for caring for children with special health needs.
- ◆ Develop or update health and safety policies for child care providers.
- ◆ Provide health education and wellness programs.
- ◆ Provide up-to-date information on the latest guidelines, policies and information regarding child health and safety.
- ◆ Offer support through telephone consultations or on-site visits.
- ◆ Conduct child care staff training.
- ◆ Provide Medication Administration Training.
- ◆ Provide communicable disease information.
- ◆ Develop health care plans for children with special needs.
- ◆ Provide health and safety education for parents and children.



## How to Contact Your Nurse Health Consultant

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