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MATCHING ESSENTIAL FRONT LINE WORKERS WITH NEEDED CHILD CARE

BUFFALO, NY, March 23, 2020 — In light of the recent outbreak of COVID-19 many essential front-line workers are struggling to get to work because they lack sufficient child care arrangements. Child Care Resource Network (CCRN) has created a system to match essential front-line workers with child care programs that remain open and have vacancies for those children.

In order to facilitate this matching process, we are asking that all essential front-line workers who need child care complete a parent survey. Once CCRN receives a completed parent survey our Child Care Navigators will compile a list of child care providers with vacancies near their home or place of work and call the parents with the results. CCRN is also asking that providers keep their vacancy numbers updated through the provider survey. Both the parent and provider survey are located on our website wnychildren.org. Parents or child care providers who are unable to access the online surveys may call our offices 877-666 ext. 3064.

“Child Care Resource Network has been Erie County’s child care resource and referral organization for over 30 years. We are proud to be able to offer this service to the community’s essential front-line workers when we need them most.” Said CCRN CEO Kimberly Suminski.

CCRN would also like to remind parents if you are at home, or working from home please do not send your children to child care so that slots remain available for the children of essential front-line workers.

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