



# BIRTH THROUGH FIVE CHILD CARE CREDENTIAL

## Child Care Standards

[65C-22.001\(6\)](#), and [65C-20.008\(6\)](#), Florida Administrative Code

A child care professional using a birth through five child care credential to meet the staff credential requirement, must have one of the following:

### Florida Department of Children and Families Birth Through Five Credential Training Program (FCCPC)

The FCCPC Birth Through Five is a department-approved training program that consists of a minimum of 120 hours of early childhood instruction and 480 contact hours with children ages birth through eight (8).

[Find](#) an approved Birth Through Five FCCPC training provider.

### Florida Department of Education Early Childhood Professional Certificate (ECPC)

This credential is a Birth through Five Child Care Credential issued by the Florida Department of Education and recognized as a Staff Credential.

[View](#) a list of approved programs for Florida Department of Education – Family and Consumer Sciences, Early Childhood Education.

### Florida Department of Education Child Care Apprenticeship Certificate (CCAC)

This credential is a Birth through Five Child Care Credential issued by the Florida Department of Education and recognized as a Staff Credential.

The Apprenticeship Certificate designates a student as a Child Development Specialist – students complete all Early Childhood Professional Certificate requirements within the Apprenticeship Program.

[View](#) a list of approved programs for Florida Association of Child Apprenticeship – Child Care Development Specialist.

**Q.** How will my initial FCCPC, ECPC, or CCAC be reflected on my DCF Child Care Training Transcript?

**A.** Your training provider will submit the information to the Department when you have completed all of the program requirements.

**The Birth Through Five Child Care Credentials (FCCPC, ECPC, and CCAC) must be renewed every five years.**

[Download](#) a copy of the Florida Child Care Staff Credential Application, CF-FSP 5211, October 2017 for information on renewal requirements.

[View](#) information regarding acceptable CEUs for renewing the Birth Through Five Credential.