

Consulting and Technical Assistance:

- Child care center and family child care home start-up
- Developing policies and procedures
- Better Beginnings incentive grants and other grant options
- Child care facilities grant preparation
- Location, building and zoning codes
- Guaranteed loans
- Budgeting
- Community collaboration and partnership building
- Recordkeeping and financial reporting
- Pre-licensing assistance
- Profit and loss statements
- Professionalism
- Steps to becoming a non-profit
- Staffing issues
- Programs in jeopardy of closing
- USDA Special Nutrition Programs
- TAPP Registry referral
- Other training and assistance as needed

Services and Program Coordination:

- Statewide administration of the Ages & Stages and Ages & Stages Social Emotional Early Intervention Program
- Statewide administration of the NAP SACC nutrition and physical activity program
- Statewide administration of the Family Child Care Business Management training
- Statewide delivery of the Money Matters/Grant Writing training
- Consulting and Technical Assistance for 18 counties in Northcentral and Northeast Arkansas
- Infant and Toddler expansion grants for child care facilities
- Collaborative partner with UAMS to deliver trainings in Medicine Administration, Infectious Disease, Autism and more
- Director is the Arkansas representative to Child Care Aware of America
- Coordinator and host of the annual Northcentral AR Child Care Fall Conference (annual attendance of 350-400 child care providers)
- Operation of the Northcentral Arkansas Child Care Resource Lending Library

Services for Parents:

- Child care referral services – by phone, in person or online
- A complete up-to-date listing of registered and licensed child care facilities
- Information on how to choose a child care provider
- Parent checklist for evaluating the quality of a child care program
- Information regarding Better Beginnings
- Education, guidance and support to parents
- Referrals to other service programs
- Annual children concerts