The Professional Development Information System (PDIS)

https://ecpd.costartstrong.org

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The Premise

Knowledgeable and skilled early educators are the single most important factor in high quality early care and education environments.
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The PDIS is a web-based system supporting career and professional development for Colorado’s early childhood workforce.
PDIS Overview

- Supports individual professionals
- Provides online self-paced courses
- Connects professionals with and tracks training and education
- Calculates credentials
- Provides information to the QRIS system
- Provides info on the EC workforce
Major Components of the PDIS

Professional Portfolio
- Contact Information
- Demographic Information
- Employment Information
- Education and Training Information
- Credential Information

Learning Management System
- Delivery of Colorado Shines Level 2 E-learning Courses
- Other Courses in Course Catalog
- Registering for F2F training
- Training Approval

PD Advisor
- Personalized Competencies Self-Assessment
- Goal Setting Tool
- Individualized Professional Development Plan
- Professional Development Resources

Competencies
Competencies: The Foundation of the PDIS

- Connected to the Self-Assessment
- Connected to job roles
- Connected to each PD offering

- Individualized recommendations
- Unlimited competency sets

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Five Steps to PDIS Success!

1. Register
2. Online Self-Paced and Face to Face Courses
3. EC Professional Credential
4. Competencies Self-Assessment
5. Individual PD Plan

How-to guide and videos available!
Step 1: Registration

- Must have an email account
- Use Google Chrome as your browser
- 5-part Wizard
- PDISHelp@cde.state.co.us
- 1.844.447.4441
- Homepage under ‘Register Here!’
Step 2: Courses

- Must be registered in the PDIS
- Accessed through Course Catalog
- Colorado Shines Level 2 E-learning Courses
- Others as available
- Free of charge and count toward ongoing hours
Step 3: Early Childhood Professional Credential

- **Formal recognition of education, training, experience and competency**
- **Provides a career pathway**
- **Part of QRIS**
- **Accessed through ‘My Profile’ – look for ‘Early Childhood Credentials’**
- **Credential 1.0 is good until it expires**
Step 4: Self-Assessment

Based on CO’s Competencies for Early Childhood Educators & Administrators

8 domains (topic areas), 4 levels (beginner to advanced), 128 questions

Pace yourself!

Creates a competency profile that then informs the Individual PD Plan

Accessed through ‘My Dashboard’ and ‘My Professional Development Plan’
Step 5: Individual Professional Development Plan

- Must complete Competencies Self-Assessment first
- Can add multiple goals, multiple action steps and create your own goals
- Provides individualized recommendations for future PD
- Earns points in the QRIS (Standard 1.14)
PDIS User Accounts Created

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PDIS Online Self-Paced Course Completions

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Total Credentialed Professionals = 10,401

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