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Oregon Registry Education Awards Provider Information

1. What is an Education Award?

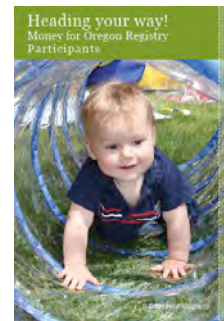
This award is a financial incentive that rewards providers for educational achievements and encourages continued education. The award is provided to individuals, and supervisors, who are working at least 20 hours a week with children under the age of 13. The award amount is based on the professional development Milestone you have achieved. These Milestones are identified by a group of steps on the Oregon Registry.

For Child Care Division (CCD) licensed or Department of Human Services (DHS) active providers the Milestones are defined as:

- **Milestone 1** means you have been awarded a Step between 3-6 and are eligible for \$100
- **Milestone 2** means you have been awarded a Step between 7-8.5 and are eligible for \$250
- **Milestone 3** means you have been awarded a Step 9 or above and are eligible for \$500

*If you are working in a **license exempt** facility the Milestone is defined as:*

- You have been awarded a Step 3 or higher on the Oregon Registry and are eligible for \$50



2. How do I get an Education Award?

The Education Award will be available to all eligible providers who are awarded a Step 3 or higher on the Oregon Registry. When an individual is awarded a Step on the Oregon Registry they will receive a certificate and an Education Award Eligibility Packet. This packet will need to be filled out and sent back to Oregon Center for Career Development (OCCD) as soon as possible. The packet provides the specific information that is required for OCCD to process the Education Award. When OCCD receives your completed forms, if you meet the requirements for the Education Award and funding is available, you will be sent a confirmation letter and your check will follow.

- Providers will receive one Education Award per Milestone
- Providers will receive only one award per fiscal year (July 1 – June 30)

3. Where is this money coming from and how long will it be around?

The Oregon Center for Career Development in Childhood Care and Education has been asked by the Child Care Division to distribute financial Education Awards to providers who have been awarded an Oregon Registry Step 3 or above. The criteria for this distribution were established by a state level strategic investments partnership workgroup under the Oregon Commission for Child Care. Current funding for this award is from the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (economic stimulus) and The Oregon Community Foundation. The state level public-private strategic investment workgroup worked to establish the plan for distribution of these funds and is continuing to work on identifying strategies for continuation of these Education Awards.

If you have questions, call 503-725-8535 or toll free 1-877-725-8535, or email occdredgistry@pdx.edu.