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	<p>ANNC: Finding childcare can be a daunting task for any parent.</p> <p>ANNC: There are so many questions to ask, so much information to gather:</p> <p>Will your children be safe? Will they learn anything? What questions do you need to ask? What should you be looking for?</p> <p>“We learned many things the hard way... because child care is a stressful thing and if you’re working parents, you need to be OK with where your child is staying.”</p> <p>That’s where Child Care Aware comes in. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and brought to you by The National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies, Child Care Aware has helped parents define and locate high-quality child care for more than 20 years.</p> <p>“Parents a lot of times are scared and they don’t know where to go. So the first step we always say, just give us a call. Call us. Call Child Care Aware. We’ll kind of walk you through the maze that’s the child care world.”</p> <p>“You know it’s very hard to go through the white pages... just put in child care in your area and got through lists and lists and lists of, you know, who knows who those people are. And it’s very easy, you can look up your Child Care Resource and Referral agency right on the web site or you can call Child Care Aware and get that information as well as consumer education.”</p>

Our website, childcareaware.org and telephone hotline, both available in Spanish and English, are dedicated to helping parents just like you.

“It’s a resource I think every parent looking into any kind of child care should know about.”

“What are... what are the things I need to ask? Oh yeah, so important... background checks!”

“This is what I’ve been looking for. Someone I could actually talk to. Somebody who actually understands where I’m coming from and can help me work through this process.”

Here you can find free, reliable, and helpful resources...

... like Child Care Connector, an easy-to-use tool that will help you locate child care resource and referral agencies in your local area.

And, Child Care101 that will help guide you through the steps of finding childcare and evaluating providers.

Our child care budgeting calculator will help you make decisions about how to fit child care into your budget, and our free monthly e-mail newsletter will keep you informed about high quality child care. We offer free publications that can be delivered by mail or downloaded on the spot.

You can even connect with others through our Parent Network .

With childcareaware.org, There’s no need to worry about how you will find the most reliable information to make the best choice for your child.

“Child Care Aware is a great thing. I mean, the resources that are available to parents are super! Like I said I wish I had known about that as a first time parent. There’s a wealth of information. You can speak to people on the hotline that... You may

not know which questions to ask them but they're gonna give you so much information that your questions will just come up."

"Basically, just do your homework. You have to do your homework. That's one of the great things about her, she's always gonna do her research. And it's gonna be endless and tireless for her so... do your research!"

"The information they gave me I had no idea that... Number one, I never thought to ask those questions and number two, I never really knew I had the right to ask those questions!"

Child Care Aware...

We help parents like you...
get the information you need...
so you can make the very best decisions about
childcare.

Log on now to childcareaware.org

Or call us at 1-800 424 2246

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