

FY16 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016)

**Clinton/Jackson Early Childhood Iowa provides funding for these programs and services**

Lutheran Services in Iowa provides these programs:

1. New Parent Program – Evidence based home visitation program. To provide family support and parent education for families with children 0-5.
2. Parent Education – Provides group parent education for families with children ages 0-5. To assist parents in gaining parenting knowledge while developing an attachment with their child and develop community supports.

Genesis Health Systems provides these programs:

1. Nurse Family Partnerships – Evidence based home visitation program. To provide a registered nurse to first time mothers to promote healthy pregnancy outcomes.
2. Bright Beginnings – Iowa Family Support Credential Program. To provide home visitation family support in order to reach goals related to the safety and development of the children.
3. Child Care Nurse Consultant – To provide a Child Care Nurse Consultant to conduct trainings, on site consultation and technical assistance for improving child care health and safety policies and procedures; assessments using the QRS tools; special needs care plans.

Visiting Nurses Services provides these provides these programs:

1. I Smiles Dental Program – Preventative dental services for preschool age children in Clinton and Jackson Counties.

Preschool School Scholarships - for 3 year olds who live at or below 200% poverty. All area preschools who participate in the Iowa Quality Preschool Program Standards and/or Quality Rating System with a rating of 3, 4 or 5 are able to participate in this scholarship program.

YWCA provides these programs:

1. Second Shift Child Care –Provide funds for staff to provide childcare from 5:30pm to midnight, Monday through Friday.

Community Action of Eastern Iowa – Child Care Resource & Referral provides these programs:

1. Expanded Head Start – To provide funding to extend the day for preschool age children in the Head Start classroom. To increase access and opportunity to quality preschool services.
2. Early Head Start – To provide high quality comprehensive infant/toddler program from 8:00am to 2:00pm to foster healthy development and school readiness.
3. Child Care Consultant/QRS (Quality Rating System) – To provide Child Care Consultant and QRS technical support for child care centers and in home providers to advance up the QRS levels.

4. Quality Childcare Improvements – To provide child care centers and in home child care providers grant funding for equipment or minor improvements to increase participation in DHS registration and the Quality Rating System.
5. Trainings and Childcare Conferences – To provide two child care conferences and various trainings to increase quality in area child care centers and in home child care providers.

Please contact Jenny Kreiter, Clinton/Jackson Early Childhood Director, for program information and contact personnel for each of these programs.

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