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Subject: Parent's Guide to Choosing Child Care - CDSS Tip Sheet

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has published and translated a tip sheet "Parent's Guide to Choosing Child Care." It is available on ehsd.org in several languages on Children & Family Services (CFS) and Community Services Bureau (CSB) pages:

English
Spanish
Chinese

Farsi/Dari Russian

CDSS has asked EHSD to help share this tool with Contra Costa County parents, particularly those who are fostering children, to help them make informed decisions when choosing a licensed child care facility. Additional childcare information and resources are available on the CDSS website at https://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/child-care-licensing/resources-for-parents.

You can point our customers to these online resources or print the flyers to hand out at your location. In addition, EHSD will be sharing them via publications such as *Resource Families Newsletter* and *CSB Family Newsletter*, social media and other partner communications.

CDSS' Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD) Child Care Program oversees the health and safety of children in licensed childcare settings, and provides resources to educate and empower parents and the public about childcare. CCLD licenses approximately 44,000 family childcare homes and childcare centers throughout California.