



Connecticut Office of
Early Childhood

OEC Legal Division Update – October 10, 2018

from the OEC Background Check Unit

The OEC is working on the Applicant Background Check Management System (**ABCMS**) with the developers and our State agency partners to make sure we get everything just right. Thanks for your patience!

Meanwhile, Centers are asked to identify at least two ABCMS Authorized Users to manage background checks. FREE Trainings for Authorized Users will be provided in two formats:

- live, hands-on trainings by OEC staff, and
- online modules for training at your convenience from your own computer

Registration will be coordinated by 2-1-1 Child Care.



Other Important News:

\$\$\$ The FBI fee to process fingerprint-based background checks will increase effective January 1, 2019. Staff total cost will be **\$88.25** and Volunteers will cost **\$86.25** (an increase of \$1.25 and \$0.50, respectively). Fingerprints and payment received by OEC on or before 12/12/2018 will be processed and sent to DESPP prior to the cost increase.

ALSO: OEC recently learned from our federal partners that all child care staff who have not completed a fingerprint-based background check within the last five years will be required to do so before **12/31/2019** to comply with CCDBG Act requirements. Unsure which of your staff need this? Submit a [Background Check Status Inquiry Form](#) to OEC before you send staff to be fingerprinted or send OEC the fingerprint cards and payment.

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