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Child Care Aware of WA – Our Role in the Child Care System

Quality Child Care Helps Children and Families Thrive

- Over 13,000 families find child care through Child Care Aware of Washington each year.
- Over 10,000 child care workers in Washington receive training and support from Child Care Aware of Washington annually.
- Advocacy - Child Care Aware of Washington and the Child Care for WA campaign fight for achievable solutions to the child care crisis.
- CCA of WA partners with 6 regional partners to deliver services: BrightSpark, Opportunity Council, Community Minded Enterprises, Catholic Charities Central WA, ESD 112, and Child Care Action Council

Providers work with Coaches through an ongoing process of setting goals, observing classroom practice, reflecting on data and feedback and taking action to improve quality:

- Program Profile
- Video Highlights
- Records Review

Early Achievers, Coaching, and Continuous Quality Improvement

Coaches provide additional on-site supports and services as needed. Some of these include:

- Referrals to Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation
- Training or guidance on Developmental screenings for children ages birth through 5.
- Communities of Practice to promote deeper understanding of specific ECE topics and foster community connection.
- Professional development through Community-Based Training.

Specialized Coaching and Supports

CCA Coaching By the Numbers

Region	Average Monthly Coaching Hours Delivered (FY26)	Unique Providers Served with Coaching within FY26	Average Monthly Coaching Hours Delivered per Provider -Family Child Care Homes (FY26)	Average Monthly Coaching Hours Delivered per Provider – Centers (FY26)	Average Monthly Number of Coaching Touchpoints per Provider (FY26)
Central Washington	1,597	878	1.84	2.25	4.27
Eastern Washington	1,195	598	1.71	3.51	2.30
King/Pierce County	4,425	2,650	1.77	2.45	6.91
Northwest Washington	2,209	594	2.10	3.00	3.42
Olympic Peninsula	795	287	2.48	3.24	4.80
Southwest Washington	832	275	2.59	4.34	3.40
Grand Total	11,053	5,278	1.87	2.90	5.25



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Thank you!

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