



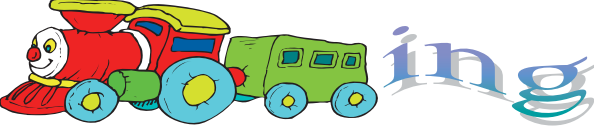
Family Day Care Carers'
Association of NSW Inc.



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The Family Day Care
Carers' Association of NSW Inc.

Annual Conference

And  Forum

“Preparing for the Future”

Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th August 2010

At

Country Comfort Motel

Cnr. Bulla & Hollingsworth Sts

Port Macquarie

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Family Day Care Carers' Association of NSW I am delighted to extend an invitation to our 2010 Conference and Training Forum.

We are very excited about the Conference this year “Preparing for the Future”. We believe that the future for Family Day Care is both strong and bright and I encourage you all to come and join us for a weekend of learning, preparing, networking and fun all in a beautiful location on the river at Port Macquarie!

Sue Perdriau

President



Conference Program

Day 1 – Saturday 28th August 2010

8am – 9am Registration

9am – 10.30am Rhonda Bignell CEO Family Day Care Australia

Rhonda was appointed Family Day Care Australia CEO in December 2008. Recently Rhonda, together with Minister Ellis, launched the Family Day Care Five Year Plan – Working for a Stronger Future on behalf of the Family Day Care sector. Rhonda is a member of the National Stakeholders' Reference Group, which is a group hosted by the Federal Government to consult and keep the children's services sector informed about the implementation of the National Quality Agenda (NQA). This session will provide all the latest information about the NQA and other issues currently affecting Family Day Care.

10.30am – 11.00am Morning Tea

11.00am – 1.00pm AGM & General Meeting

1.00pm – 1.45pm Lunch

1.45pm – 3.15pm Lorna Hughes – NCAC

Lorna is currently a Child Care Advisor with NCAC, a position she has held since 2002. Prior to 2002, Lorna worked in Family Day Care for 15 years in a range of positions from Carer to Scheme Manager. She has travelled throughout Australia talking to carers and staff about quality outcomes for children. NCAC is in the process of transitioning from the Child Care Quality Assurance Systems to the NQA – Lorna will bring the latest information to this session.

3.15pm – 4.15pm Talkfest, with Rhonda, Lorna, Bronwyn Guy and Sue Perdriau

6.30pm – 7.00pm Drinks

7.00pm – 11.30pm Dinner and Auction

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Day 2 – Sunday 29th August 2010 (Scheme staff welcome to attend on Day 2)

8.30am – 9.00am Registration

9.00am – 10.30 am “Learn to Earn” ...approaches to good business practices and fee setting for Family Day Care carer with Deb Barton, Elke Evele and Kylie Stafford from Family Day Care in South Australia. This session is proudly sponsored by Family Day Care Australia.

Deb, Elke and Kylie will talk to us about qualifications and being proactive in managing the change to ratios without losing income. A vital session for both new and experienced Family Day Care carers and scheme coordinators covering the foundations of business and administrative management practices in Family Day Care into the future. The session will provide insight into the experiences for Family Day Care in South Australia since the introduction of National Standards in 1997, when changes to the approved numbers of children in care and further policy reform were implemented.

Deb Barton and Elke Evele manage the Family Day Care Business and Customer Support Centre on behalf of all the Department of Education and Children’s Services (DECS) Family Day Care schemes in South Australia. Kylie Stafford has been an Approved DECS Family Day Care Carer since 1999. Kylie has consistently run at full capacity during the last 10 years and enjoys the challenge of running a small business from home, a task made easy by setting up good business ethics.

10.30am Morning tea

11.00am Q & A Session with Deb, Elke and Kylie

12.15pm Lunch, Raffle winners – conference concludes

Trade and Information Tables

Family Day Care Australia
Dental Health
HubWorks! CCMS
Kathy’s Shells

Educational Experience
Monkey See Monkey Read
Fay’s Crafts

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Conference Costs

Saturday and Sunday (carers only)

(Includes all Meals, Conference, Dinner and Entertainment)

Members:	\$130.00
Non Members:	\$165.00 (Includes membership to the Family Day Care Carers' Association of NSW)
Dinner Only:	\$35.00

Saturday Only (carers only)

Members:	\$60.00
Non Members:	\$95.00 (Includes membership to the Family Day Care Carers' Association of NSW)

Sunday Only (carers and staff)

Members:	\$50.00
Non Members:	\$85.00 (Includes membership to the Family Day Care Carers' Association of NSW)

Accommodation

(Country Comfort Motel, cnr Bulla and Hollingsworth Sts)

Single Room:	\$110.00
Twin Share:	\$120.00 (\$60.00 ea.)
Triple Share:	\$140.00 (\$46.70 ea.)

To avoid confusion with accommodation bookings could you please advise if you have already reserved a room at the Country Comfort for the conference.

All Registrations due by 6 August 2010

Please detach below and return with registration if applicable.

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- Accommodation already booked Name:
 - Any special dietary needs:
 - Mobility access requirements
 - Receipt required prior to conference (please enclose stamped self addressed envelope)

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Registration Form

Please complete and return to:
The FDC Carers Association of NSW Inc.
The Conference Convenor
C/- PO Box 3589, Wamberal NSW 2260

Or register online at
www.fdca.com.au/fdccansw

Name: Membership No:

Address:

Scheme:.....

Phone No: Mobile: Email:

Please tick

- 2 day conference \$.....
- 1 day conference \$.....
- Additional Dinner \$.....

Accommodation

- Single Room \$.....
- Twin Share \$.....
- Triple Share \$.....

Total \$.....

- I am sharing with.....
- Please allocate someone to share with me

Payment Options

Cheque – payable to the Family Day Care Carers' Assoc. of NSW Inc.

Direct Credit – Account Name: Family Day Carers Assoc. of NSW Inc.

BSB: 112-879

Account No. 104 677 323

Carers should also put their name and membership number on payment form.

Credit Card –

Visa MasterCard Name on Card:

Card No. Expiry date:

Amount: Signature:

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Association's Refund Policy

Refunds of registration fees will be made to Carers requesting same up to 13th August 2010. Note: An administration fee of \$20 will be charged. No refunds will be forthcoming after this date – unless under exceptional circumstances. Such requests will be considered by the Executive and should be supported by documentary proof (ie medical certificate etc.)

Travel Assistance

The FDC Carer's Association of NSW Inc. has limited funding put aside to assist Carer's with long distance travel. This funding will be apportioned firstly to Carer's who have attended the conference for the whole weekend, the remainder will be apportioned to any other travel claims. Carers are requested to retain all original travel receipts if they intend to apply for conference travel assistance. Application forms will be available at the conference.

Explanation of how the travel grant works:

➤ When travelling by car:

Grant applies to actual cost of fuel only. (ie Fill your car with fuel immediately before departure. That cost does not relate to the conference. Receipts for all fuel purchased on route to the conference and home again need to be submitted with Travel Subsidy Application).

➤ When travelling by bus, train or plane:

Keep your receipts and submit them with Travel Subsidy Application.

For further information relating to the conference, contact:

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