

Pennsylvania's Professional Development (PD) Registry

What is the PD Registry?

The PD Registry is a technology system that functions as a workforce registry. A workforce registry increases the number of high quality care and education programs by helping to develop and track a knowledgeable and skilled early childhood workforce. A registry tracks an individual's professional achievements and provides important data about the early childhood workforce to help raise the status and compensation for early care and education.

What are the benefits of the PD Registry?

Early Learning and School-Age Professionals can

- Track employment, education and training history;
- Plan professional development including access to an easy to use self-assessment tool; and
- Find statewide, regional, and online quality professional training opportunities.

Program Directors can

- Track staff completion of Bureau of Certification and Keystone STARS training requirements;
- Access verified staff qualifications for meeting Certification and Keystone STARS requirements;
- Support staff with professional development planning; and
- Register staff members for training using the statewide training calendar.

Instructors and Training Organizations can

- Schedule professional development opportunities in-person and online;
- Track credentials, certifications, competencies and knowledge areas they are approved to instruct; and
- Manage class rosters and sign-in sheets, walk-in registrations and payment, and participant evaluations.

What can Pennsylvania do with data collected in the PD Registry?

Data collected from the system influences decision and policy making. Individual demographics on length of time in the field, education level, and wages advocates for better education opportunities and higher wages for professionals to better serve children and families in Pennsylvania. Data on trainings identifies gaps in the workforce's training needs. The PD Registry can also highlight professional accomplishment across the state.

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