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PRESS RELEASE

CHILD CARE LOUNGE OFFERS SUPPORT GROUP FOR PITTSBURGH AREA CHILD CARE DIRECTORS

Pittsburgh, PA – April 30, 2013 - Child Care Lounge, an online web resource for child care professionals, has created a Director's Support Group for Pittsburgh area child care directors. The group holds monthly meetings to discuss a variety of topics relating to child care, such as:

- Staffing Concerns
- Recruitment
- Grant writing/foundation requests for non-profits
- Transportation for School Age

As a member of the Director's Support Group, participants will receive support and guidance from other area directors. Within this group, the directors have also opened their centers to each other for tours and to provide job shadowing from exemplary staff to newly hired staff. Additionally, Child Care Lounge is supporting the group by creating a child care substitute pool (so centers can have access to child care substitute pool (so centers can have access to child care subs in the area), creating a family orientation package, and providing lending library of resource materials for directors. Membership is free. The next monthly meeting will be held on May 16, 2013 at Panera Bread Meeting Room, 5430 Centre Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15232.

If any director is interesting in joining the Pittsburgh Director's Support Group, please email barrie@childcarelounge.com.

About Child Care Lounge:

Child Care Lounge offers many resources for people who care for young children. Specifically targeted towards caregivers, the Child Care Lounge website offers a large amount of ideas for early childhood programs. Since 2005, the popular website has offered a large variety of convenient and affordable online classes that child care providers may use as continuing education hours in their state. Classes are all taught by Joni Levine, M.Ed., founder of the website.