Vermont Bright **Futures Information** System (BFIS) **Credential Account**



What is a credential account?

A BFIS Credential account is a place for you as an individual staff of child care programs, registered home child care providers, preschool teachers, afterschool program staff, and other professionals in the early childhood and afterschool field can save their professional development information.

How to get a BFIS username and password

- If you have a BFIS username and password to access a BFIS child care program account, you can use this same username and password to access your credential account.
- If you do not have a BFIS username and password you can sign up at the BFIS Help Desk website: <u>https://bfishelp.ahs.state.vt.us/</u>





If this site does not answer your questions, you may call or e-mail the Bright Futures Information System Help Desk (1.800.649.2642, bfis.help@state.vt.us) with a specific question. You may also fax us at 802.769.2064.





What happens after I request a username and password?

- You will receive an email instructing you to go through "First Time Log in" on the Bright Futures Information System (BFIS) home page.
- If you do not receive this email within one business day, check your spam email account for the message. If you still are unable to locate the email please contact the Help Desk staff at 1-800-649-2642 or bfis.help@state.vt.us

How to log in once you have a username and password

- Open your internet browser (Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Safari, Chrome, etc.)
- Type in the BFIS site address: <u>http://brightfutures.dcf.state.vt.us</u>
- Click on the Bright Futures Account Login on the left-hand side of the page.
- Click on the log in under "Quality Credentialing Account"
- Go through the steps to set up your password using the username and temporary password sent to you by the BFIS Help Desk staff.



- . Benefits Information Find out what you need to qualify for a child care benefit.
- Prescreen Tool A quick, confidential online tool to see if you qualify for child care benefits.
- Online Application form

Child Care Program

How to Become a Licensed or Registered Child Care Program

Here's where you can find out everything you need to know about becoming a registered family child care home, a licensed child care center, or a licensed school age care program.

- Licensing Requirements
- On-Line Applications
- Licensing Forms & Documents

Resources for Early Childhood and Afterschool Professionals



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You will be prompted to change your password to something you will create. The password must be between 8 and 12 characters, and must have a uppercase letter, a lowercase letter and a number.

Password must contain at least one character	from each of the following three character classes: uppercase,
lowercase letters, numbers and be between 8	and 12 characters in length.

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*Temporary Password:	
*New Password:	
*Confirm New Password:	

Select a security question. The security question and answer will help you to reset your password at a later date.

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Profile Options

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What can I do in my credential account?

- Create and update a Individual Professional Development Plan (IPDP)
- Access copies of transcripts saved by Northern Lights Career Development Center in your case
- View degrees that have been verified in your account
- View credentials that have been verified in your account
- View trainings hours that have been entered and/or verified in your account



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You can view documents stored in your Credential Account by Northern Lights Career Development Center Page ID: QU0140 / Version: V1.47 Privacy Policy



Other Options

Add Work Experience Information

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Information in the work experience component reflects the record checks that you have had for regulated child care programs in Vermont.

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Other Options

• New Education Information

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The education component contains your degrees and education verified for you by Northern Lights Career Development Center

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Other Options

Add Credential Information

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The credential component contains your credentials verified for you by Northern Lights Career Development Center

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Summary Work Experience

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The professional development component is where you can view the training hours you have attended, and have been entered in the system. Please see how to have information entered and verified in the system if trainings hours are missing. - @ X

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Courses/Education External to the Vermont Career Development System

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Course Title	Sponsor	Date Completed	Hours	Hours Type	Verified?	-
Basic specialized Care	ABC School	09/19/2012	6,0	College Credit		[Details]
NAEYC Conference	NAEYC	05/01/2006	6.0	Clock Hours		[Details]
Outdoor Curriculum Ideas	New Hampshire Child Care Association	10/17/2008	2.5	Clock Hours	None	[Details]

How to get trainings, education and credentials entered and verified:

Having trainings, education/degrees and credentials entered and verified in BFIS helps you. BFIS is a safe online location to hold all of the information for later use. In addition, approved organizations can view this information if you apply for a professional development grant, STARS, or Vermont credentials. This saves you time!

To get the information entered in BFIS entered and verified – send it to Northern Lights Career Development Center with a "verification cover sheet". Visit the Northern Lights website for a copy of the cover sheet and instructions: <u>http://northernlightscdc.org/training/bright-futures-</u> <u>information-system-bfis/</u>

What information can be entered?

To be verified by Northern Lights, check that the documents you submit have the following:

Certificates of attendance	Transcripts issued by the college	Copy of Current Certificates such		
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	Credential			

If you have questions:

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Questions about what can be entered and or verified in BFIS, or why information was not entered can be directed to Northern Lights Career Development Center at professional.development@ccv.edu or by leaving a message at 802-828-2877