



Early Education Services



ICF Caliber's customized services, innovative solutions, and client satisfaction make us a leading provider of early care and education support around the world. We offer:

- On-site Training and Technical Assistance
- Curriculum Design and Development
- Program Management Design and Review
- Research and Evaluation
- Performance Measurement

Finding quality early care and education is among the most pressing concerns for American families living in the United States and abroad. With the rising demand for child care and the need to make the most of scarce resources, providers and government agencies that support early educational services are under increased legislative scrutiny to provide better integration and coordination and ensure that children enter school ready to learn. Caliber, an ICF International Company, assists civilian and military government agencies and private-sector and nonprofit organizations to structure, standardize, and evaluate their early care and education programs to achieve the highest-possible quality and performance.

Our Approach

ICF Caliber helps organizations identify gaps, leverage tools and resources, and maximize the best industry practices in early care and education. Our program life cycle approach incorporates a perspective gained from extensive experience and functional expertise. We assess needs and organizational climate to identify effective programs and policies and conduct analyses that affect program development and decision making. We offer expertise in all phases of program development, operation, and improvement and train early education providers, administrators, and other stakeholders to achieve outstanding quality, productivity, performance, and profitability for their early care and education programs. Our innovative solutions blend creativity and technology with methodological rigor and practicality.



Featured Projects

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Child Care Bureau *National Child Care Information Center (NCCIC)*

ICF Caliber provides oversight to NCCIC, a national clearinghouse and technical assistance center that offers comprehensive child care information resources and technical assistance services to Child Care and Development Fund grantees, other early care and education stakeholders, and the public. NCCIC supports the early education field through a variety of services, such as responding to more than 7,000 requests for information annually, providing a nationwide network of technical assistance specialists in each Administration for Children and Families region, and housing a library containing more than 17,000 items, most of which can be accessed through the NCCIC Web site at NCCIC.org

Featured Projects (continued)

Regional Offices (III and VII) of the Administration for Children and Families

Head Start Technical Assistance System

ICF Caliber provides regional management, content-specific training, and technical support to approximately 300 Head Start and Early Head Start grantees. Our technical assistance system is designed to support grantees in all facets of program operations and quality enhancements through a distinguished cadre of content experts and technical assistance specialists. To foster enhanced outcomes for children and families, the system encourages the development and maintenance of partnerships among Head Start, child care, pre-kindergarten, and other early care and education programs, offering opportunities for these programs to share strategies for implementing federal initiatives (e.g., Good Start Grow Smart) and Head Start Bureau priorities.

U.S. Air Force, Family Member Programs

On-site Training, Technical Assistance, and Accreditation Assistance

ICF Caliber provides on-site training, program observations, and accreditation assistance for Air Force child development programs at bases around the world. In one- or two-week training sessions, our professional teams assist the programs in formulating goals, developing timelines, and monitoring progress toward goal achievement, then follow up with intensive consultation. We also serve as a continuous resource for programs as they move through the stages of the accreditation process.

U.S. Navy, Child and Youth Programs

Inspection and Technical Assistance Services for the Navy's Child and Youth Program

ICF Caliber works within Navy Regions to conduct on-site inspections and provide technical assistance to support the Navy's Child and Youth Program in meeting U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) and Navy certification inspection standards. In collaboration with the Department of the Navy, our staff conducts thorough, objective inspections, assists in the development of detailed strategic action plans, and provides targeted on-site training and technical assistance to facilitate program compliance and achieve program objectives.

West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources

West Virginia Professional Development Program for Infant/Toddler Caregivers

ICF Caliber developed a comprehensive professional development program for caregivers of infants and toddlers for West Virginia. The program was designed to standardize and enhance training in the state's early childhood program settings to improve the quality of infant and toddler care statewide. The training program included modules for caregivers, train-the-trainer modules, modules for program leaders and administrators, a performance measurement model, and tools to help programs achieve continuous quality improvement.

About Caliber and ICF International

With the addition of the more than 300 employees of Caliber Associates, ICF International now offers the services of an established leader in human services and human resource issues. Caliber provides full program life cycle consulting and support in research and evaluation, communications, training and technical assistance, and information technology. Together, ICF and Caliber have expanded capabilities to assist civilian and national security organizations to develop more effective and innovative human resource, education, and social service programs.

ICF International (Nasdaq: ICFI) partners with government and commercial clients to deliver consulting services and technology solutions in the energy, environment, transportation, social programs, defense, and homeland security markets. The firm combines passion for its work with industry expertise and innovative analytics to produce compelling results throughout the entire program life cycle, from analysis and design through implementation and improvement. Since 1969, ICF has been serving government at all levels, major corporations, and multilateral institutions. More than 1,800 employees serve these clients worldwide. ICF's Web site is <http://www.icfi.com>.

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