

EARLY CHILDHOOD OPTIONS / INCLUSIVE CHILD CARE PROGRAMS
YEAR END REPORT
2008-2009

Program Insight

Midway through 2008 the *Inclusive Child Care* program began to evolve into a new concept of inclusive child care delivery. As with all new ventures considerable time was spent on planning, developing, and anticipating the outcome of every idea and decision. If ever there was a time when “team effort” really counted – this was it!

The Inclusive Child Care program came into being January 1, 2009 as Early Childhood Options ceased to exist. This program now supports children 0 to 12 years of age unlike the ECO model of 0 to 6 years. *Inclusive Child Care* partners with Region 6 and Family Supports for Children With Disabilities to support inclusion. Some of the services provided include mentoring, consultation, referrals, Program Inclusion Plan support and funding for additional support in licensed day care centres and approved family day homes. In addition to Inclusion Workshops, Program Inclusion Plan workshops have been offered on-site to our partners.

The team has truly endeavored and continues to strive toward achieving the best possible results during this transitional period. Our ultimate goal is to continue serving children and families who deserve an inclusive child care experience.

Report Submitted By *The Inclusive Child Care Team*