

What is Ohio Promise?

A statewide initiative that will *Promote Resources, Opportunities, and Meaningful Inclusion through Support and Education* (PROMISE). The focus of the initiative is increasing access to quality child care and support services for children with special needs. Ohio Promise was set up as a multi-pronged approach with five components:

1. [Early Childhood Inclusion Center of Excellence](#) (CoE) is the training and technical assistance hub for resources, questions, and consultation available by Inclusions Support Specialists
 - [Family webpage](#), which includes decision process flow and resources for families
 - [For Professionals webpage](#), where they can connect to free information, resources, and consultation
2. [Inclusive Child Care Program \(ICCP\) Designation](#) was created to recognize programs who complete specialized training and inform families about which early care and education providers have an administrator and lead teacher who have completed the Level 1 PECIC
 - [Child care search webpage](#) identifies these programs and allows parents (and TA providers) to search under geographical and other parameters. Click on link and select the box to identify Inclusive Child Care Programs
3. [Professional Early Childhood Inclusion Credential](#) (PECIC), a free, on-demand learning series which increases the awareness, competence, and confidence of early care and education professionals in caring for children with special needs
4. [Inclusive Child Care Program \(ICCP\) Scholarship](#), which is an opportunity for families who are not eligible for publicly funded child care to find financial support for their child to attend a high-quality early care and education setting
5. Ohio PROMISE Advisory Council, which is a diverse group of parents and professionals which meets monthly to advise and assist the state partners in the program planning.