Shared Services Alliance Update
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Background
- April 26, 2012 Advisory Committee Meeting
- June 2012 Presentation to ECAC - What is a statewide platform and how it will work for NYS

Shared Services Alliance Focus Groups
- Bonnie Cohen conducted focus groups in New York City, Albany and Rochester where roughly 30 early care and learning providers were brought together for input around shared services. The goal of these focus groups was to introduce early care and learning providers to a web platform as a statewide resource and to gain their feedback on their general interest in accessing a NY shared services website.
  - o Overall feedback was positive with three areas of concern: cost, quality and reliability of information provided, and the easy navigation through the site.
- Bonnie Cohen conducted Stakeholder Interviews for information to be used in implementation and design.
- Marsha and Kristen have held discussions with CCA Global regarding ECE platform innovation, technical assistance before and after a web based and program experiences.

October 2012 Advisory Committee Meeting
- Updates:
  - o Membership
    - Automatically conferred on all members of NYSAEYC and all employees of CCR&R members of ECLC.
    - Child care facilities and family child care providers can purchase membership directly
      - o Fee per center facility is $225 per year; Individual fee is $75 per year
  - o Benefits
    - Cost Savings on Products and Services
    - Time Savings Time Savings
    - Tools to Support Quality
    - ECE Community Strengthening
  - o Financing
    - ECAC will support project to install CCA Platform and operating costs
    - Over the first three years build significant user group and demonstrate value to users, create links that support the work of QUALITYstarsNY and raise funds for future
  - o Working to identify critical partners

November and December Implementation Planning Committee Meetings
- Meetings held November 2 and December 7
- Phases of development determined; questions raised for CCA Global, planning for beta testing when site ready

Work is ongoing with CCA Global to move forward with development of the Shared Source ECE NY web-based platform