

## **BROADCAST FROM THE CHILD CARE PROGRAM OFFICE**

### **OPPORTUNITIES TO PAY FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COSTS**

The Child Care Program Office together with the Alaska System for Early Education and Development (SEED) and *thread*, Alaska's statewide Child Care Resources and Referral Network would like to highlight great opportunities to help defray the costs of professional development and training for licensed child care facilities, formerly known as Individual Reimbursement Fund (IRF) and Individual Travel Grants (IG)s. The IRF and IG will now be:

- Professional Development Reimbursements (PDR) which allows for up to \$1,500 per person, per year, for higher education, training workshops, or conferences.
- Travel Reimbursements (TR) which allows for up to \$1,000, per person, per year.
- "Pathways to Professionalism" (P2P), which allows for up-front payment or reimbursement of up to \$425, per person, per year for the Child Development Associate (CDA) application or renewal fees.

In order to apply for these funds, you must be a current member of the Alaska SEED registry. <http://www.seedalaska.org/index.cfm/SEED-Registry/Online-Portal/>

To download the PDR, TR and P2P application forms and information about the eligibility requirements, please go to the Alaska SEED or *thread* websites:

Alaska SEED website: <http://www.seedalaska.org/index.cfm/Resources/Forms/>

*thread* website: <http://threadalaska.org/index.cfm/Early-Educators/Forms-You-Can-Use>

Thank you,

