

**NORTH CAROLINA PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN**  
**Smart Start Format for Activities**

**Partnership Name: Onslow County Partnership for Children    Effective Date: 3.18.10**

**Activity Title: Professional Development**

**Contract Activity Description (CAD), Professional Development Activity**

The Professional Development (PD) activity will employ a full-time Professional Development Coordinator. The activity will work to increase the number of points licensed facilities are eligible to earn in the education component of their star rated license and the number of child care professionals who contribute to an education component score of at least 5 points. Strategies of PD will include technical assistance, educational goal setting, educational counseling, human resource development, mentoring coordination within facilities, and advocacy to remove barriers to higher education for adult learners in the early childhood profession. Both individual and aggregate level data will be maintained and disclosed to other Smart Start funded child care related activity providers. The activity will support a broad range of accredited educational options and financial assistance opportunities, including the TEACH program. Services will be offered during times and at locations convenient for participating centers and homes.