Dependent Care Resources 07/18/2019

On campus: Gersh & Sarah Lemberg Children’s Center, Inc.
The Children’s Center’s mission is aligned with the university’s and primarily provides child care for children ages 1 month to 6 years. It is open from 8AM – 5:45PM, Monday through Friday, 50 weeks a year. Founded by Brandeis’ faculty and staff, it’s current staff of very experienced professionals was works with many departments to provide experiential learning opportunities for Brandeis students and researchers. The center also offers public school vacation week camps and a summer program. For more information: www.brandeis.edu/lemberg

Online Resources Available to Anyone 24/7: many of the resources cited below could be included in the Brandeis website that would help employees and other community members find a wide range of family support resources.

MA Dept of Early Education and Care
EEC provides a listing of childcare providers across the state that are registered and licensed. They offer lots…. from expertise on how to choose a family provider or a group center to links to many resources and their own materials about child development and health care.
For childcare info: Link to search by city or zip for Group or Family Day Care providers by route traveled, radius, zip code, or provider name:
https://eeclead.force.com/EEC_ChildCareSearch

The three resource and referral centers that are funded covering Greater Boston are:
- Community Care for Kids – Quincy Community Action Program
- Child Care Circuit – Lawrence part of The Community Group
  https://www.childcarecircuit.org/
- Child Care Choices – Boston
  http://childcarechoicesofboston.org/

National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NACCRA)
Provides a comprehensive list of resources for employers, governments, parents and other individuals looking for dependent care and workforce development initiatives.
Website for NACCRA called Child Care Aware...
https://usa.childcareaware.org/
Links to resources in every state. For Massachusetts, various agencies providing diverse resources for dependent care support:
https://www.childcareaware.org/state/massachusetts/
CCRC (in California)
Founded in 1976 by the National Council of Jewish Women. They have an excellent website https://www.ccrcca.org/

Care.com
Listing for parents looking for childcare in their community or around the country. Has nanny care, backup care, people looking for senior care givers as well as childcare and be hired from their lists. The advertise: My Kids, My Pets, My Parents, My Home. Parents can find tutors as well. Starts off free to join. Lemberg CC is a member with privileges joined to advertise and recruit teachers. We have not been very successful finding high quality staff through this site. I’ve attached a description of the service that was set up at Beth Israel Hospital.

NAEYC For Families “National Association for the Education of Young Children”
http://families.naeyc.org/
Includes numerous useful resources for parents such as a search tool for accredited child care programs and tips for everything from healthy eating to play time.

Private Providers offering R&R assistance
Boston's Best Babysitters
Web: www.bostonsbestbabysitters.com
Owner reports: I personally know each care provider, bonded and licensed. They do background checks and observe their caregivers.

NACCRA member agencies
National Coalition for Campus Children’s Centers - http://campuschildcare.org
This organization has several members that will share their campus-based service systems.