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**RE: Request for Expressions of Interest – Care for Newcomer Children**

Dear Child Care Services Provider:

The London Cross-Cultural Learner Centre (CCLC) is looking for a children's services provider Partner to staff and operate a Care for Newcomer Children (CNC) program. Costs to operate this program will be paid by the CCLC with funding from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC).

The CCLC is London's leading organisation providing refugee resettlement and newcomer integration services ([www.lcclc.org](http://www.lcclc.org)). CNC programming, first introduced at the CCLC in early 2016 to support the large influx of refugees arriving through *Operation Syrian Refugees*, was operated in accordance with CMAS standards (<https://cmascanada.ca>). The program was paused during COVID-19, as the arrival of Government Assisted Refugees (GARs) was greatly reduced at the onset of the pandemic.

Now that many of the pandemic restrictions have been lifted and the arrival of Government Assisted Refugees has increased, the CCLC is looking at re-opening the program. Specifically, the program will provide on-site short-term CMAS-regulated Care for Newcomer Children to be provided to children of GAR clients receiving resettlement assistance from our agency. Our Resettlement Assistance Program (RAP) operates at our main office at 505 Dundas Street, as well as hotels in London where families reside until securing permanent housing.

The CCLC will provide the space and will cover the CNC staffing and operations cost, including travel. We are looking for a Partner with experience in providing regulated child care services willing to provide CMAS-regulated services to newly arrived newcomers to Canada. If you are interested in the opportunity, please email a letter outlining your qualifications and why you would like to partner with the CCLC to Sharon Keith, Assistant to the Executive Director at [skeith@lcclc.org](mailto:skeith@lcclc.org) by November 7<sup>th</sup> 2022.

Sincerely,

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