

Child Care Resource & Referral of Marion, Polk and Yamhill A Program of Community Action Agency

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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Shannon Vandehey, Program Director of Child Care Resource & Referral of Marion, Polk & Yamhill Counties (CCR&R). We are a Program of Community Action. Maksim Stoyanov was hired by our Community Action IT Program as a temporary employee, while he was attending school.

His responsibilities included serving Community Action programs with IT support. During this time, CCR&R was notified that a Program that housed a Professional Development application that we paid for, to calculate Early Childhood Professional Development Step levels, was permanently closing and we would no longer have access to this application. The application calculated the Step level a child care provider was currently on, and what would be needed in community training or college credit hours to obtain the next Step. This application saved us hours, in that we did not have to go through a providers many certificates and calculate manually. We asked IT to see if they could build something that would mimic the application on a basic level so we could at least continue the work as we had been.

This assignment was given to Maxsim. I was very impressed, as he spent a lot of time working with me and staff to research and understand what we wanted this application to do, and what it's purpose was for. He was very attentive to our needs and was always checking in, asking questions and seeking approval for next steps in development. I think the end product ended up being more than I had hoped. Not only did he simplify it for us, as the previous application had a number of confusing steps to get what we needed, but he also made it easy to access and look nice. More importantly, he made it so we can print out a data sheet that was super easy to understand, for us and the providers we serve.

I am grateful that our IT team gave Maxsim the opportunity and could not be happier that my staff and I have this Professional Development Calculator, which is an immense time saver in the work we do.

Respectfully,

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