The Wisconsin Early Education Shared Services Network brings together family child care programs and group child care programs to benefit from collaborations and efficiencies. By sharing resources, staff, knowledge, and skills child care programs can improve outcomes for young children, build capacity in their caregiving, and benefit their communities in growing ways.

WEESSN streamlines tuition invoicing & payments, enrollment processes and even child immunization & developmental screeners via a cloud-based technology. This technology saves time, gives parents freedom to make payments and fill out paperwork from home and creates a higher level of accuracy in tacking programming demands.

WEESSN negotiates lower costs on goods (bulk buying) and services by leveraging our relationships for the benefit of child care programs in the network so that they can be big where big is important.

WEESSN provides a substitute teacher pool for providers (cutting down on hiring and training costs while also allowing substitute teachers to work full-time and receive benefits through WEESSN). *Currently this program is on hiatus due to COVID. We are convening public health experts, medical experts and those fluent with the latest research to help us to consider safe models to return this benefit as soon as safely possible.*

WEESSN provides collective professional learning communities to increase quality practices with children. Additionally, WEESSN members gain access to the Wisconsin Shared Education Resources on-line platform that houses thousands of materials and pedagogical supports vetted by national experts.

WEESSN provides the backbone supports for a collaborative system of child care in Wisconsin. By sharing resources and staff, a shared service network frees up time and money that can be dedicated to quality programming and staff wages.

There is often a fee to members of Shared Services Networks, though providers should be saving more than the fee it costs them to be a member. As we are launching and growing the network, we are able to offer this program **at no cost to providers** through the end of 2022, with additional funding pending to support this work beyond 2022.