

The Council's New Online Platform has Launched! It's called "YourCouncil" – and it makes your work with CDA Candidates and with Council staff even easier!

To access our new "YourCouncil" system.

- Go to YourCouncil.org and click "forgot password." Enter your email address. Hit submit. You will receive an email with your temporary username and password that will allow you to log in. For security purposes, we recommend that you reset your password.
- You'll have access to the new YourCouncil PDS portal. If you're an active PDS, you will also have access to the current PDS Portal at www.cdacouncil.org through December 15, 2018.
- If you have any pending Candidates on your scoring submission page who applied in the old YourCDA system, you are required to complete working with those Candidates using the old PDS Portal.
- Only PD Specialists who have signed and submitted a [new agreement](#) and [W9](#) will receive access to the calendar and have the ability to schedule a verification visit.

If you're a PDS who has not signed and submitted a new agreement and W9, please submit those documents as soon as possible to activate the calendar and verification visit features.

SEVEN GREAT NEW FEATURES IN "YourCouncil"

YourCouncil is an industry-leading credentialing technology that will provide stronger opportunities throughout the application process for Candidates; speed payments to the PDS community following verification visits; offer opportunities for enhanced engagement between the Council and you, plus hundreds of improvements in your user experience. We are very appreciative of all of your input and feedback as YourCouncil was created. Here are just a few of the enhancements:

1. NEW! For the first time, Home Visitor Candidates can apply online!
2. NEW! For the first time, Candidates who need special accommodations can request them on online!
3. NEW! For the first time, Candidates who require a language specialization other than English or Spanish can request this online!
4. YourCouncil uses Google Translate.
5. YourCouncil has a beautiful new look with improved navigation that is integrated with the Council Store.
6. PDS community has a new Learning Management System (LMS) with a resource library, online PDS courses, and testing.
7. Responsive design is built-in for use on any device (computer, tablet, smartphone).

WE INVITE AND WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK!

As any new system is launched, users discover ways to improve it and offer ideas. We encourage you to share your experiences with YourCouncil. And, at any time you can call our enhanced customer service center at 800-424-4310. **Also, check out our website and social media for updates.**

As you know, the CDA community has been growing a great deal over the past few years. We are here to be of service and to ensure that there is a strong professional development experience for early childhood educators earning the CDA. The PDS community is at the heart of this work. Let us know how we can better serve you!

Sincerely,



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