OVERVIEW:
This workshop will raise awareness about the many issues related to making and keeping playgrounds safe for children including supervising, choosing age appropriate equipment, ensuring safe surfacing, proper layout of equipment, upkeep of the playground and identifying and resolving playground hazards. It will also include information that is required by the Minimum Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers and the Minimum Standards for Licensed Family Day Homes on playground safety and injury prevention.

OBJECTIVES:
Participants will:
- Describe the leading causes of playground injuries and deaths.
- List and describe the components of a SAFE playground.
- Explain the components of active supervision.
- Describe how age appropriate playground equipment can help reduce injuries.
- Explain safe surfacing and describe the importance of a proper use zone.
- Evaluate the playground for potential hazards.
- Name at least two reasons why proper maintenance of the playground is so important.
- Identify important steps to take in purchasing new playground equipment and surfacing.
- Apply principles of playground safety to realistic situations/environments.

TRAINERS:
Trainers for this workshop are Bill Conkle, Department of Conservation and Recreation and Jeanne Sanders, Department of Social Services.

Central/Eastern Locations
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VISSTA, Day Care Training
Hampton Department of Social Services
1320 LaSalle Avenue
Hampton, Virginia 23669-3801
(757) 727-1880

Oct. 25, 2003 Sandston - Holiday Inn Airport, 5203 Williamsburg Road
Nov. 1, 2003 Chesapeake – Holiday Inn, 725 Woodlake Drive

Northern Virginia/Fairfax/Verona Locations
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VISSTA, Day Care Training
Fairfax Department of Family Services
12011 Government Center Parkway
Fairfax, VA 22035
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Nov. 15, 2003 Fairfax - Hilton Garden Inn Fairfax, 3950 Fair Ridge Drive
Nov. 22, 2003 Fredericksburg – Holiday Inn Select, 2801 Plank Road

Southern Virginia Locations
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Oct. 18, 2003 Salem - Comfort Suites, 2898 Keagy Road

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