Appendix B:

State Tables for Criteria Scored

Program Benchmark 1: Type of Background Check

A comprehensive background check is required, including using fingerprints to check state and FBI records, checking the child

Elements of a Comprehensive Criminal Records Check						
State	Federal Fingerprints	State Fingerprints	Criminal Record Check	Child Abuse Registry	Sex Offender Registry	Juvenile Record Check
Alabama	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Alaska	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arizona	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Arkansas*	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
California	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Colorado	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Connecticut	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Delaware	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Department Of Defense	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
District Of Columbia	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Florida	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Georgia	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Hawaii	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Idaho #	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Kansas	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Kentucky	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Elements of a Comprehensive Criminal Records Check						
State	Federal Fingerprints	State Fingerprints	Criminal Record Check	Child Abuse Registry	Sex Offender Registry	Juvenile Record Check
Maine	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Maryland	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Massachusetts	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Michigan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Minnesota	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri*	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Montana*	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Nebraska	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Nevada	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
New Hampshire	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
New York	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
North Carolina*	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
North Dakota	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma**	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Oregon	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Pennsylvania	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Rhode Island	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
South Carolina	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Texas*	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
Utah*	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Vermont	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
West Virginia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Wisconsin*	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wyoming	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

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*Seven states (Arkansas, Missouri, Montana, North Carolina, Texas, Utah and Wisconsin) require a check of fingerprints against state and/or federal records if the applicant has not lived in the state continuously for a designated number of years.

**Oklahoma passed legislation requiring a fingerprint to check FBI records in 2011, but it is not required until 2013.

Idaho does not license family child care until seven children are in the home. However, Idaho requires a background check for family day care providers caring for four or more children. The state does not require a fingerprint check of either state or federal records, but does require a name-based check as well as a check of the state child abuse registry, the Idaho adult protection registry and the Idaho sex offender registry. Owners, operators and staff, others over age 13 who have unsupervised access as well as others 13 and older who are regularly at the premises are subject to a background check.

Number of States Requiring Specific Element of Background Checks	
Requirement	**Number of States**
Federal Fingerprints	26*
State Fingerprints	24
Criminal Record Check	43*
Child Abuse Registries	39*
Sex Offender Registries	18
Juvenile Record Check	11*
*Includes DoD	

Program Benchmark 2: To Whom Background Checks Apply

A background check is required for family child care providers, their substitutes and assistants, other adults in the home, teenagers in the home and license-exempt providers receiving subsidies.

Who is Required to Have a Background Check					
State	Family Child Care Providers	Adolescents Living in the Home - Starting age	Family Members over Age 18	Substitutes and Assistants	Exempt Providers Receiving Subsidies
Alabama	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Alaska	Yes	15	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arizona	Yes	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arkansas*	Yes	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
California	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Colorado	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Connecticut	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	Yes
Delaware	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Department of Defense	Yes	12	Yes	Yes	-
District of Columbia	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Florida	Yes	12	Yes	Yes	Yes
Georgia	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hawaii	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Idaho #	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	Yes	13	Yes	Yes	Yes
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	Yes	14	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kansas	Yes	11	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kentucky	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Maryland	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Massachusetts	Yes	15	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michigan	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Minnesota	Yes	13	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri*	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Montana*	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nebraska	Yes	13	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nevada	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	No
New Hampshire	Yes	17	Yes	Yes	Yes

Who is Required to Have a Background Check					
State	Family Child Care Providers	Adolescents Living in the Home - Starting age	Family Members over Age 18	Substitutes and Assistants	Exempt Providers Receiving Subsidies
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	Yes	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
New York	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Carolina*	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Dakota	Yes	13	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oregon	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pennsylvania	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rhode Island	Yes	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
South Carolina	Yes	15	Yes	Yes	Yes
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	Yes	15	Yes	Yes	No
Texas*	Yes	14	Yes	Yes	Yes
Utah*	Yes	12	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vermont	Yes	15	Yes	Yes	Yes
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	Yes	16	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Virginia	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wisconsin*	Yes	12	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wyoming	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Idaho does not license family child care until seven children are in the home. However, Idaho requires a background check for family day care providers caring for four or more children. The state does not require a fingerprint check of either state or federal records, but does require a name-based check as well as a check of the state child abuse registry, the Idaho adult protection registry and the Idaho sex offender registry. Owners, operators and staff, others over age 13 who have unsupervised access as well as others 13 and older who are regularly at the premises are subject to a background check.

Note: Of the 40 states that require a background check of unlicensed providers for subsidy receipt, 16 do not require a fingerprint check. Massachusetts, Ohio, Oklahoma and Wisconsin do not provide taxpayer funds to pay for unlicensed care. Off-base assistance paid for by DoD is in licensed settings.

Who States Require to Have a Background Check	
Requirement	**Number of States**
Family child care providers	44*
Substitutes or assistants	44*
Juvenile family members age 12 and older	5*
Family members at least age 18	44*
License-exempt providers	40

*Includes DoD

Note: Of the 40 states that require a background check of unlicensed providers for subsidy receipt, 16 do not require a fingerprint check. Massachusetts, Ohio, Oklahoma and Wisconsin do not provide taxpayer funds to pay for unlicensed care. Off-installation assistance paid for by DoD is in licensed settings.

Program Benchmark 3: Minimum Education

Family child care providers are required to have a high school degree or GED and have the Child Development Associate (CDA) credential, college courses in early childhood education or an associate degree initially or within three years of starting to provide child care.

Minimum Education Requirements for Family Child Care Home Providers

State	Minimum Education Requirement	State	Minimum Education Requirement
Alabama	High School Diploma or GED	Missouri	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Alaska	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	Montana	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Arizona	High School Diploma or GED	Nebraska	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Arkansas	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	Nevada	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
California	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	New Hampshire	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Colorado	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	New Jersey	NA
Connecticut	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	New Mexico	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Delaware	High School Diploma or GED	New York	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Department Of Defense	High School Diploma or GED	North Carolina	High School Diploma or GED
District Of Columbia	High School Diploma or GED	North Dakota	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Florida	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	Ohio	NA
Georgia	CDA	Oklahoma	High School Diploma or GED
Hawaii	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	Oregon	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Idaho	NA	Pennsylvania	High School Diploma or GED
Illinois	High School Diploma or GED	Rhode Island	High School Diploma or GED
Indiana	NA	South Carolina	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Iowa	High School Diploma or GED	South Dakota	NA
Kansas	High School Diploma or GED	Tennessee	Less Than High School Diploma or GED

Minimum Education Requirements for Family Child Care Home Providers			
State	Minimum Education Requirement	State	Minimum Education Requirement
Kentucky	High School Diploma or GED	Texas	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Louisiana	NA	Utah	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Maine	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	Vermont	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Maryland	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	Virginia	NA
Massachusetts	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	Washington	High School Diploma or GED
Michigan	High School Diploma or GED	West Virginia	Less Than High School Diploma or GED
Minnesota	Less Than High School Diploma or GED	Wisconsin	3-credit college course in ECE
Mississippi	NA	Wyoming	High School Diploma or GED

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Family Child Care Home Provider QualificationsBy State	
Level of Education Required	Number of States
CDA	1
Credits/clock hours in ECE beyond HS	1
High School Diploma or GED	16*
Less Than High School Diploma or GED	26

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Program Benchmark 4: Minimum Initial Training

Family child care providers are required to have 40 hours of initial training in child development, child guidance, child abuse prevention, learning activities, business practices, health and safety, CPR and first aid.

Hours of Initial Training Required for Family Child Care Providers

State	Hours Required	CPR Required	First-Aid Required	CPR/First Aid Counted?	Adjusted Hours*
Alabama	24	Yes	Yes	No	32
Alaska	4	Yes	Yes	No	12
Arizona	7	Yes	Yes	No	15
Arkansas	8	Yes	Yes	No	16
California	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	15
Colorado	15	Yes	Yes	No	23
Connecticut	0	No	Yes	No	2
Delaware	6	Yes	Yes	No	14
Department Of Defense	38	Yes	Yes	Yes	38
District Of Columbia	10	Yes	Yes	Yes	10
Florida	35	Yes	Yes	No	43
Georgia	20	Yes	Yes	Yes	20
Hawaii	0	Yes	Yes	No	8
Idaho	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	15
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	5	Yes	Yes	No	13
Kansas	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	15
Kentucky	6	Yes	Yes	No	14
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	6	Yes	Yes	No	14
Maryland	30	Yes	Yes	No	38
Massachusetts	11	Yes	Yes	No	19
Michigan	6	Yes	Yes	No	14
Minnesota	10	Yes	Yes	Yes	10
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	0	Yes	Yes	No	8
Montana	4.5	Yes	Yes	No	12.5
Nebraska	1	Yes	Yes	No	9
Nevada	12	Yes	Yes	No	20
New Hampshire	5	Yes	Yes	No	13

Hours of Initial Training Required for Family Child Care Providers					
State	Hours Required	CPR Required	First-Aid Required	CPR/First Aid Counted?	Adjusted Hours*
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	45	Yes	Yes	No	53
New York	15	Yes	Yes	No	23
North Carolina	2	Yes	Yes	No	10
North Dakota	12	Yes	Yes	No	20
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma	4	Yes	Yes	No	12
Oregon	7	Yes	Yes	No	15
Pennsylvania	0	No	Yes	No	2
Rhode Island	36	Yes	Yes	No	44
South Carolina	0.5	No	No	No	0.5
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	12
Texas	0	No	No	No	0
Utah	3	Yes	Yes	No	11
Vermont	2	No	No	No	2
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	20	Yes	Yes	No	28
West Virginia	2	No	No	No	2
Wisconsin	45	No	No	No	45
Wyoming	6	Yes	Yes	No	14

*Hours of initial training include additional hours added for CPR and first aid where these topics are required by states.

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Initial Training Number of States by Required Hours	
Hours of Initial Training Required*	**Number of States**
0	1
1 to 10	11
11 to 20	22
21 to 30	3
31 to 39	3*
40 and higher	4

*Includes DoD.

Note: Hours of initial training include additional hours added for CPR and first aid where these topics are required by states.

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Initial Training Requirements for Small Family Child Care Home Providers By State By Category								
State	Child Development	Child Guidance	Child Abuse Prevention	Business Practices	Learning Activities	Health and Safety	CPR	First Aid
Alabama	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Alaska	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arizona	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arkansas	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
California	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Colorado	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Connecticut	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Delaware	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Department Of Defense	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
District Of Columbia	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Florida	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Georgia	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hawaii	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Idaho	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kansas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kentucky	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Maryland	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Massachusetts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michigan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Minnesota	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Montana	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nebraska	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Nevada	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Hampshire	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New York	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Carolina	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Dakota	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Initial Training Requirements for Small Family Child Care Home Providers By State By Category								
State	Child Development	Child Guidance	Child Abuse Prevention	Business Practices	Learning Activities	Health and Safety	CPR	First Aid
Oklahoma	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oregon	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pennsylvania	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Rhode Island	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
South Carolina	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Texas	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Utah	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vermont	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Virginia	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Wisconsin	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Wyoming	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Number of States that Require Initial Training on Specific Topics	
Topics Required in Initial Training	Number of States
Child Development	22*
Child Guidance	22*
Child Abuse Prevention	23*
Business Practices	20*
Learning Activities	15
Health and Safety	34*
CPR	37*
First Aid	39*

*Includes DoD

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Program Benchmark 5: Minimum Annual Training

Family child care providers are required to have 24 hours or more of annual training in child development, child guidance, child abuse prevention, learning activities, business practices, health and safety, CPR and first aid.

Hours of Annual Training Required for Family Child Care Providers					
State	Required Hours of Annual Training	CPR Required	First Aid Required	CPR and First Aid Included in Required Hours?	Total Hours of Required Annual Training*
Alabama	20	Yes	Yes	No	24
Alaska	12	Yes	Yes	No	16
Arizona	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	12
Arkansas	15	Yes	Yes	No	19
California	4	Yes	Yes	No	8
Colorado	15	Yes	Yes	No	19
Connecticut	0	No	Yes	No	1
Delaware	12	Yes	Yes	No	16
Department Of Defense	24	Yes	Yes	Yes	24
District Of Columbia	9	Yes	Yes	No	13
Florida	10	Yes	Yes	Yes	10
Georgia	10	Yes	Yes	No	14
Hawaii	4	Yes	Yes	No	8
Idaho	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	15
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	12	Yes	Yes	No	16
Kansas	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	5
Kentucky	9	Yes	Yes	No	13
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	12	Yes	Yes	No	16
Maryland	12	Yes	Yes	No	16
Massachusetts	10	Yes	Yes	No	14
Michigan	10	Yes	Yes	No	14
Minnesota	8	Yes	No	Yes	8
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	12

Hours of Annual Training Required for Family Child Care Providers					
State	Required Hours of Annual Training	CPR Required	First Aid Required	CPR and First Aid Included in Required Hours?	Total Hours of Required Annual Training*
Montana	8	Yes	Yes	No	12
Nebraska	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	12
Nevada	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	15
New Hampshire	18	Yes	Yes	No	22
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	12
New York	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	15
North Carolina	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	12
North Dakota	9	Yes	Yes	No	13
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma	12	Yes	Yes	No	16
Oregon	4	Yes	Yes	No	8
Pennsylvania	6	No	Yes	No	7
Rhode Island	12	Yes	Yes	No	16
South Carolina	2	No	No	No	2
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	9	Yes	Yes	Yes	9
Texas	0	No	No	No	0
Utah	20	Yes	Yes	Yes	20
Vermont	6	Yes	Yes	No	10
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	10	Yes	Yes	No	14
West Virginia	8	No	No	No	8
Wisconsin	15	Yes	No	No	18
Wyoming	15	Yes	Yes	No	19

*Total hours of annual training **include** additional hours added for CPR and first aid where these topics are required by states.

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Number of States And Required Hours of Annual Training	
Hours of Annual Training Required*	**Number of States**
None	1
1 to 8	9
9 to 16	26
17 to 23	6
24	2*

*Includes DoD.

Note: Hours of annual training **include** additional hours for CPR and first aid where required by states.

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Annual Training Requirements								
State	Child Development Required	Child Guidance	Child Abuse Prevention	Business Practices	Learning Activities	Health and Safety	CPR	First Aid
Alabama	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Alaska	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arizona	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arkansas	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
California	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Colorado	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Connecticut	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Delaware	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Department Of Defense	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
District Of Columbia	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Florida	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Georgia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hawaii	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Idaho	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kansas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kentucky	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Maryland	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Massachusetts	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michigan	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Minnesota	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Montana	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nebraska	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Nevada	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Hampshire	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New York	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Carolina	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Dakota	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Annual Training Requirements								
State	Child Development Required	Child Guidance	Child Abuse Prevention	Business Practices	Learning Activities	Health and Safety	CPR	First Aid
Oklahoma	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oregon	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pennsylvania	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Rhode Island	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
South Carolina	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Texas	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Utah	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vermont	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Virginia	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Wisconsin	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
Wyoming	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Number of States that Require Annual Training on Specific Topics			
Topics Required in Annual Training	Number of States	Topics Required in Annual Training	Number of States
Child Development	29*	Learning Activities	20*
Child Guidance	26*	Health and Safety	34*
Child Abuse Prevention	18*	CPR	39*
Business Practices	23*	First Aid	39*

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Program Benchmark 6: Toys & Materials to Promote Learning

Family child care providers are required to have toys and materials in eight domains: motor development, language and literacy, art, math, science, dramatic play, books for all ages and materials that are culturally sensitive.

Toys and Materials Required in Specific Developmental Domains								
State	Motor Development	Science	Language and Literacy	Dramatic Play	Art	Books for all Ages	Math	Culturally Sensitive Materials
Alabama	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Alaska	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Arizona	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Arkansas	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
California	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Colorado	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Connecticut	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Delaware	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Department of Defense	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
District of Columbia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Florida	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Georgia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Hawaii	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Idaho	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Kansas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kentucky	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Maryland	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Massachusetts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michigan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Minnesota	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No

Toys and Materials Required in Specific Developmental Domains								
State	Motor Development	Science	Language and Literacy	Dramatic Play	Art	Books for all Ages	Math	Culturally Sensitive Materials
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Montana	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Nebraska	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Nevada	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
New Hampshire	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
New York	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
North Carolina	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
North Dakota	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oregon	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Pennsylvania	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Rhode Island	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
South Carolina	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Texas	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Utah	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Vermont	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Virginia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Wisconsin	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Wyoming	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

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Number of States that Require Toys/Materials in Each of the Eight Developmental Domains	
Domain	**Number of States**
Motor Development	30*
Science	15
Language and Literacy	23
Dramatic Play	25
Art	25
Books for all Ages	22
Math	12
Culturally Sensitive Materials	15*
*Includes DoD	

Number of States with Requirements for Toys/Materials in Multiple Domains	
Number of Domains	**Number of States**
None	12
1 to 4	11*
5 to 7	14
All 8	7

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Program Benchmark 7: Learning Activities

Family child care providers are required to offer learning opportunities in eight domains: plan a variety of learning activities, read to children, introduce mathematical concepts, offer creative activities, offer dramatic play, offer active play, encourage self-help skills and limiting television.

Learning Activities Required in Specific Developmental Domains								
State	Plan Learning Activities	Offer Dramatic Play	Read to Children	Provide for Active Play	Introduce Math Concepts	Encourage Self Help Skills	Offer Creative Activities	Limit TV Viewing
Alabama	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Alaska	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arizona	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arkansas	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
California	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Colorado	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Connecticut	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Delaware	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Department of Defense	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
District of Columbia	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Florida	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Georgia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hawaii	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Idaho	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Kansas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kentucky	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Maryland	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Massachusetts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Michigan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Minnesota	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Montana	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nebraska	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

Learning Activities Required in Specific Developmental Domains								
State	Plan Learning Activities	Offer Dramatic Play	Read to Children	Provide for Active Play	Introduce Math Concepts	Encourage Self Help Skills	Offer Creative Activities	Limit TV Viewing
Nevada	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
New Hampshire	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
New York	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
North Carolina	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
North Dakota	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oregon	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Pennsylvania	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Rhode Island	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
South Carolina	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Texas	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Utah	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Vermont	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Virginia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wisconsin	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Wyoming	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

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Number and Percent of States that Require Program Activities in Each of the Eight Developmental Domains	
Domain	**Number of States**
Plan Learning Activities	36*
Offer Dramatic Play	21
Read to Children	18
Provide for Active Play	37*
Introduce Mathematical Concepts	11
Encourage Self Help Skills	21
Offer Creative Activities	24
Limit TV/screen Viewing	23*
*Includes DoD	

Number of States and the Number of Domains Addressed in Required Learning Activities	
Number of Domains	**Number of States**
None	5
1 to 4	17*
5 to 7	14
All 8	8

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Program Benchmark 8: Basic Health Requirements

Family child care providers are required to address 10 basic health areas.

Required Health Standards										
State	Hand Washing	Meals and Snacks	Immunizations	Exclusion of Ill Children	Universal Health Requirements	Administration of Medication	Toxic Substances	Diapering and Toileting	Home Sanitation	Weekend and Evening Care
Alabama	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Alaska	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arizona	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arkansas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
California	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Colorado	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Connecticut	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Delaware	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Department of Defense	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
District of Columbia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Florida	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Georgia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hawaii	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Idaho	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Kansas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kentucky	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maryland	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Massachusetts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michigan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Minnesota	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Montana	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Required Health Standards										
State	Hand Washing	Meals and Snacks	Immunizations	Exclusion of Ill Children	Universal Health Requirements	Administration of Medication	Toxic Substances	Diapering and Toileting	Home Sanitation	Weekend and Evening Care
Nebraska	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nevada	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
New Hampshire	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New York	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Carolina	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Dakota	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oregon	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pennsylvania	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rhode Island	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
South Carolina	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Texas	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Utah	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Vermont	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Virginia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wisconsin	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wyoming	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Specific Health Practices By Number of States	
Health Requirement	Number of States
Hand washing	40*
Meals and Snacks	42*
Immunizations	42*
Exclusion of Ill Children	41*
Universal Health Requirements	25
Administration of Medication	41*
Toxic Substances	41*
Diapering and Toileting	40*
Home Sanitation	42*
Weekend and Evening Care	33
*Includes DoD	

Number of Health Areas RequiredBy Number of States	
Number of Areas	Number of States
None	2
1 to 4	0
5 to 8	8*
9	12
All 10	22

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Program Benchmark 9: Basic Safety Requirements

Family child care providers are required to address 10 basic safety areas.

	Required Safety Standards										
State	SIDS Prevention	Appropriate Discipline	Crib Safety	Electrical Hazards	Protection From Bodies of Water	Fire and Emergency Plans	Outdoor Playground Surfaces	Supervision	Door Locks and Safety Gates	Transportation	Allows Corporal Punishment?
Alabama	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Alaska	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Arizona	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Arkansas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
California	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Colorado	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Connecticut	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Delaware	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Department of Defense	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
District of Columbia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Florida	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Georgia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Hawaii	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Illinois	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Iowa	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Kansas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Kentucky	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Maine	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Maryland	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Massachusetts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Michigan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Minnesota	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Missouri	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Montana	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Nebraska	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Nevada	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
New Hampshire	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

Required Safety Standards											
State	SIDS Prevention	Appropriate Discipline	Crib Safety	Electrical Hazards	Protection From Bodies of Water	Fire and Emergency Plans	Outdoor Playground Surfaces	Supervision	Door Locks and Safety Gates	Transportation	Allows Corporal Punishment?
New Mexico	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
New York	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
North Carolina	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
North Dakota	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Oklahoma	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Oregon	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Pennsylvania	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Rhode Island	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
South Carolina	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes*
Tennessee	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Texas	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes*
Utah	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Vermont	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Washington	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
West Virginia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Wisconsin	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Wyoming	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

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*South Carolina and Texas do not specifically prohibit corporal punishment.

Number of States that Require Specific Safety Practices	
Safety Requirement	Number of States
SIDS Prevention	38*
Discipline	42*
Crib Safety	36*
Electrical Hazards	39*
Protection From Bodies of Water	42*
Fire and Emergency Plans	42*
Outdoor Playground Surfaces	31*
Supervision	42*
Door Locks and Safety Gates	34*
Transportation	41*

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Number of Safety Areas Required by States	
Number of Areas	Number of States
None	2
1 to 4	0
5 to 8	9
9	9
All 10	24*

*Includes DoD

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Program Benchmark 10: Parent Communication

Family child care providers are required to communicate with parents, have contracts with parents, allow parents access to the home, inform parents about the used of substitutes, and give written policies to parents.

Strategies for Communication/Involvement with Parents					
State	Ongoing Communi-cation with Parents	Written Contracts	Allow Access when Child is Present	Inform When there is a Substitute	Give Parents a Copy of Written Policies
Alabama	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Alaska	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arizona	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Arkansas	No	No	No	No	Yes
California	No	No	Yes	No	No
Colorado	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Connecticut	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Delaware	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Department of Defense	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
District of Columbia	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Florida	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Georgia	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hawaii	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Idaho	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kansas	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Kentucky	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Maryland	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Massachusetts	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michigan	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Minnesota	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Montana	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Nebraska	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
Nevada	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
New Hampshire	Yes	No	Yes	No	No

Strategies for Communication/Involvement with Parents					
State	Ongoing Communi-cation with Parents	Written Contracts	Allow Access when Child is Present	Inform When there is a Substitute	Give Parents a Copy of Written Policies
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
New York	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Carolina	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Dakota	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oregon	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pennsylvania	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Rhode Island	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
South Carolina	No	No	No	No	No
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Texas	No	No	No	No	No
Utah	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Vermont	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Virginia	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
Wisconsin	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wyoming	No	No	Yes	No	Yes

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Number of States with Specific Requirements Related to Parents	
Parent Strategies	Number of States
Daily Communication with Parents	22*
Written Contracts with Parents	10*
Allow Parent Access when Child is Present	40*
Inform When there is a Substitute	22*
Give Parents a Copy of Written Policies	35*

*Includes DoD

Program Benchmark 11: Group Size

Family child care providers are required to limit total number of children in a small family child care home based on ages of children in care.

Number of Children Allowed in a Family Child Care Home				
State	Age at which providers' children are no longer counted in enrollment	Maximum number of children allowed under age 6	Number of infants and toddlers allowed with one provider	Total Number of Infants and Toddlers Allowed if No Older Children Present
Alabama	5	6	3	3
Alaska	12	8	3	3
Arizona	10	5	5	5
Arkansas	5	10	3	3
California	10	6	3	4
Colorado	12	6	2	4
Connecticut	12	6	2	2
Delaware	5	6	3	4
Department of Defense	8	6	2	3
District of Columbia	6	6	2	2
Florida	13	6	3	4
Georgia	13	6	3	3
Hawaii	6	6	2	2
Idaho	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	12	5	3	3
Indiana	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa	5	6	4	4
Kansas	11	7	3	6
Kentucky	13	6	4	4
Louisiana	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	5	8	3	4
Maryland	6	8	2	2
Massachusetts	5	6	3	3
Michigan	7	6	2	4
Minnesota	11	6	3	3
Mississippi	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	13	6	2	4
Montana	6	6	3	4
Nebraska	5	8	4	4
Nevada	4	6	4	4
New Hampshire	10	6	2	2

Number of Children Allowed in a Family Child Care Home				
State	Age at which providers' children are no longer counted in enrollment	Maximum number of children allowed under age 6	Number of infants and toddlers allowed with one provider	Total Number of Infants and Toddlers Allowed if No Older Children Present
New Jersey	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	6	6	2	2
New York	5	6	2	2
North Carolina	5	5	5	5
North Dakota	12	7	3	4
Ohio	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma	5	7	2	5
Oregon	13	6	2	2
Pennsylvania	3	6	5	5
Rhode Island	6	6	2	2
South Carolina	15	6	6	6
South Dakota	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	9	7	4	4
Texas	14	3	3	3
Utah	4	8	2	3
Vermont	2	6	2	3
Virginia	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington	13	6	3	3
West Virginia	6	6	2	2
Wisconsin	7	8	4	4
Wyoming	6	10	4	5

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Group Size Limits for Enrollment of Preschool-Age Children	
Group Size Limits	**Number of States**
Limit enrollment to six or fewer children less than 6 years of age	32*
Permit enrollment of seven or more children less than 6 years of age	12

*Includes DoD

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Number of States with Limits on Number of Infants and Toddlers Allowed When Older Children Are Present	
Group Size Limits	**Number of States**
Limit number of infants and toddlers to two if older children are present	17*
Permits three or more infants and toddlers when older children are present	27
NA	8
Total	**52**

*Includes DoD

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Number of States with Limits on Number of Infants and Toddlers Allowed When NO Older Children Are Present	
Group Size Limits	**Number of States**
Limit number of infants and toddlers to three if no older children are present	22*
Permits four or more infants and toddlers when no older children are present	22
NA	8
Total	52

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Oversight Benchmark 1: Oversight Threshold

All family child care homes that care for unrelated children on a regular basis for a fee should be licensed.

Licensing Threshold for Family Child Care Homes Caring for Unrelated Children				
State	Number of children in care when regulation begins, e.g., when a family child care home is required to be licensed	Are the provider's own children under school age (5 years or under) included in the threshold for regulation?	Is care for the first paid family (NOT the provider's family) exempt from the licensing threshold?	Adjusted total (accounting for provider's children and exempted first family)
Alabama	1	NA	No	1
Alaska	5	No	No	6
Arizona	5	No	No	6
Arkansas	6	Yes	No	6
California	Second Family	No	Yes	3
Colorado	Second Family	No	Yes	3
Connecticut	1	NA	No	1
Delaware	1	NA	No	1
Department Of Defense	1	NA	No	1
District Of Columbia	1	NA	No	1
Florida	Second Family	No	Yes	3
Georgia	3	No	No	4
Hawaii	3	No	No	4
Idaho	7	Yes	No	7
Illinois	4	Yes	Yes	5
Indiana	6	No	No	7
Iowa	6	Yes	No	6
Kansas	1	NA	No	1
Kentucky	4	No	No	5
Louisiana	7	No	No	8
Maine	3	No	No	4
Maryland	1	NA	No	1
Massachusetts	1	NA	No	1
Michigan	1	NA	No	1
Minnesota	Second Family	No	Yes	3
Mississippi	6	No	No	7
Missouri	5	No	No	6
Montana	3	No	No	4

Licensing Threshold for Family Child Care Homes Caring for Unrelated Children				
State	Number of children in care when regulation begins, e.g., when a family child care home is required to be licensed	Are the provider's own children under school age (5 years or under) included in the threshold for regulation?	Is care for the first paid family (NOT the provider's family) exempt from the licensing threshold?	Adjusted total (accounting for provider's children and exempted first family)
Nebraska	4	No	No	5
Nevada	5	No	No	6
New Hampshire	4	No	No	5
New Jersey	6	No	No	7
New Mexico	5	No	No	6
New York	3	No	No	4
North Carolina	3	No	No	4
North Dakota	6	Yes	No	6
Ohio	7	Yes	No	7
Oklahoma	1	NA	No	1
Oregon	4	No	Yes	6
Pennsylvania	4	No	No	5
Rhode Island	4	No	No	5
South Carolina	Second Family	No	Yes	3
South Dakota	13	Yes	No	13
Tennessee	5	No	No	6
Texas	1	NA	No	1
Utah	5	No	No	6
Vermont	Third Family	No	Yes	4
Virginia	6	No	No	7
Washington	1	NA	No	1
West Virginia	4	Yes	No	4
Wisconsin	4	No	No	5
Wyoming	3	No	Yes	5

NA: Not Applicable, as licensing begins with the first unrelated child.

Adjusted total adds 1 child when provider's children are not included in the threshold and when the first family is exempted.

Number of States at Different Thresholds of Licensing for Small Family Child Care Homes	
Threshold for Licensing (Based on Adjusted Total*)	**Number of States**
Require licensing starting with first child	12*
Require licensing for second or third family	6
Require licensing for four to six children	27
Require licensing for 7 or more children	8

*Includes DoD

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Oversight Benchmark 2: Inspections

Family child care homes should be inspected before licensing, at least quarterly, and when there is a complaint.

Inspection Before Licensing			
State	Inspection	State	Inspection
Alabama	Yes	Missouri	Yes
Alaska	Yes	Montana	No
Arizona	Yes	Nebraska	No
Arkansas	Yes	Nevada	Yes
California	Yes	New Hampshire	Yes
Colorado	Yes	New Jersey	NA
Connecticut	Yes	New Mexico	Yes
Delaware	Yes	New York	Yes
Department Of Defense	Yes	North Carolina	Yes
District Of Columbia	Yes	North Dakota	Yes
Florida	Yes	Ohio	NA
Georgia	Yes	Oklahoma	Yes
Hawaii	Yes	Oregon	Yes
Idaho	NA	Pennsylvania	No
Illinois	Yes	Rhode Island	Yes
Indiana	NA	South Carolina	No
Iowa	No	South Dakota	NA
Kansas	Yes	Tennessee	Yes
Kentucky	Yes	Texas	No
Louisiana	NA	Utah	Yes
Maine	Yes	Vermont	Yes
Maryland	Yes	Virginia	NA
Massachusetts	Yes	Washington	Yes
Michigan	No	West Virginia	No
Minnesota	Yes	Wisconsin	Yes
Mississippi	NA	Wyoming	Yes

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Frequency of Inspections							
State	Inspection Frequency	Number of Inspections	Per How Many Years	Inspection Before Licensing	Inspection on Complaint	Routine Visits Unannounced	Complaint Visits Unannounced
Alabama	Once every two years	1	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Alaska	Once every two years	1	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arizona	Twice a year	2	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arkansas	Three times a year	3	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
California	Once every five or more years	1	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Colorado	Once every two years	1	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Connecticut #	Once every three years	1	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Delaware #	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Department Of Defense	Four or more times a year	4	1	Yes	No	Yes	No
District Of Columbia #	Twice a year	2	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Florida	Twice a year	2	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Georgia	Twice a year	2	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hawaii	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Idaho^	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Illinois	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Indiana^	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Iowa*	Once every two years	1	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kansas	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kentucky	Once every two years	1	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Louisiana^	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine	Once every two years	1	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maryland	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Massachusetts	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michigan*,#	Once every ten years	1	10	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Minnesota	Once every two years	1	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mississippi^	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Missouri	Four times a year	4	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Montana*,#	Once every five years	1	5	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nebraska*	Once a year	1	1	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nevada	Three times a year	3	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Hampshire	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Jersey^	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Mexico	Three times a year	3	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New York	Four or more times a year	4	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Frequency of Inspections							
State	Inspection Frequency	Number of Inspections	Per How Many Years	Inspection Before Licensing	Inspection on Complaint	Routine Visits Unannounced	Complaint Visits Unannounced
North Carolina	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Dakota	Twice a year	2	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ohio^	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oklahoma	Three times a year	3	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oregon	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pennsylvania*,#	Once every six or more years	1	6	No	Yes	No	Yes
Rhode Island #	Once every two years	1	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
South Carolina*	not required	0	0	No	Yes	No	Yes
South Dakota^	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tennessee	Six times a year	6	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Texas*	not required	0	0	No	No	No	Yes
Utah	Twice a year	2	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vermont #	Not required	0	0	Yes	No	No	No
Virginia^	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Washington #	Once every 18 months	1	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Virginia*	Once a year	1	1	No	No	Yes	No
Wisconsin	Once a year	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wyoming	Four or more times a year	4	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

States with an * do not conduct an inspection or site visit before issuing a child care license. States with ^ do not license small family child care homes (homes in which a provider cares for 6 or fewer children).

Additional state notes: Connecticut: Annual inspections are not required, but inspectors are required to visit at least one-third of FCC homes each year. Michigan: Statute requires that 10% of homes are inspected each year. Missouri includes 2 fire inspections every year. Montana: Statute requires that 20% of all registered family day care homes are inspected on a yearly basis. Homes also receive an annual fire inspection. Pennsylvania: Licensing inspects an annual random sample of 15% of all registered family child care homes. South Carolina: Most Family Child Care homes in South Carolina are registered, not licensed. Registration is by mail every year. Registered FCC are only inspected for complaints. If FCC homes choose to be licensed or if they are required to be licensed (care for more than six children), licensed FCC are inspected before licensing, annually, and at complaints. Texas does not conduct routine inspections of listed family child care homes. Vermont does not conduct routine inspections after the initial licensing inspection. Washington conducts inspections every 18 months. Delaware, DC and Rhode Island conduct a fire inspection annually. DC conducts a lead inspection.

Number of States conducting Licensing Inspections	
Inspection Type	Number of States
Inspection Before Licensing	36*
Inspection on Complaint	40*
Routine Visit Unannounced	40*
Complaint Visit Unannounced	41*

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Frequency of Inspections for Licensed Care	
Frequency	Number of States
Four or more times a year	5*
Two to three times a year	10
Once a year	12
Once every two to three years	10**
Once every four or more years	4
Not Required #	3

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**Washington is included in the category of every two-three years, however, the state inspects family child care homes once every 18 months.

South Carolina, Texas and Vermont do not require routine inspections.

Note: Delaware, DC and Rhode Island conduct a fire inspection annually. DC conducts a lead inspection.

Oversight Benchmark 3: Oversight Caseloads

Programs to licensing staff ratio does not exceed 50:1.

Ratio of Programs to Licensing Staff			
State	Ratio of Programs to Licensing Staff	State	Ratio of Programs to Licensing Staff
Alabama	65	Missouri	82
Alaska	33	Montana	106
Arizona	87	Nebraska	180
Arkansas	70	Nevada	65
California	257	New Hampshire	116
Colorado	140	New Jersey	NA
Connecticut	332	New Mexico	27
Delaware	150	New York	85
Department Of Defense	40	North Carolina	74
District Of Columbia	90	North Dakota	32
Florida	76	Ohio	NA
Georgia	120	Oklahoma	50
Hawaii	55	Oregon	285
Idaho	NA	Pennsylvania	102
Illinois	65	Rhode Island	200
Indiana	NA	South Carolina	86
Iowa	408	South Dakota	NA
Kansas	70	Tennessee	22
Kentucky	86	Texas	NA
Louisiana	NA	Utah	74
Maine	96	Vermont	275
Maryland	115	Virginia	NA
Massachusetts	340	Washington	97
Michigan	168	West Virginia	80
Minnesota*	150	Wisconsin	84
Mississippi	NA	Wyoming	66

*The number for Minnesota is the average family child care caseload for five of Minnesota's largest counties.

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Number of States with Specific Licensing Staff Caseloads	
Program:Licensing Staff Ratio	**Number of States**
101 or more :1	17*
91 to 100:1	2
81 to 90:1	6
71 to 80:1	4
61 to 70:1	6
51 to 60:1	1
50 to 1 or less:1	7**

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Oversight Benchmark 4: Licensing Staff Qualifications

Licensing staff have a bachelor's degree in early childhood education or a related field.

Education Requirements for Licensing Staff			
State	Education Requirements for Licensing Staff	State	Education Requirements for Licensing Staff
Alabama	Bachelor's in Unrelated Field	Missouri	Bachelors in Unrelated Field
Alaska	Less than an Associate Degree	Montana	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field
Arizona	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	Nebraska	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field
Arkansas	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	Nevada	Less than an Associate Degree
California	Less than an Associate Degree	New Hampshire	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field
Colorado	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	New Jersey	NA
Connecticut	Less than an Associate Degree	New Mexico	Less than an Associate Degree
Delaware	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	New York	Bachelors in Unrelated Field
Department Of Defense	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	North Carolina	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field
District Of Columbia	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	North Dakota	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field
Florida	Bachelors in Unrelated Field	Ohio	NA
Georgia	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	Oklahoma	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field
Hawaii	Bachelors in Unrelated Field	Oregon	Less than an Associate Degree
Idaho	NA	Pennsylvania	Less than an Associate Degree
Illinois	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	Rhode Island	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field
Indiana	NA	South Carolina	Bachelors in Unrelated Field
Iowa	Bachelors in Unrelated Field	South Dakota	NA
Kansas	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	Tennessee	Bachelors in Unrelated Field
Kentucky	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	Texas	--
Louisiana	NA	Utah	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field
Maine	Less than an Associate Degree	Vermont	Less than an Associate Degree
Maryland	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	Virginia	NA
Massachusetts	Less than an Associate Degree	Washington	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field
Michigan	Master's in ECE or Related Field	West Virginia	Bachelors in Unrelated Field
Minnesota	Bachelors in ECE or Related Field	Wisconsin	Less than an Associate Degree
Mississippi	NA	Wyoming	Bachelors in Unrelated Field

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Number of States Requiring Specific Licensing Staff Qualifications	
Education Required	**Number of States**
Bachelor's Degree or higher in ECE or Related Field	22*
Bachelor's Degree in Unrelated Field	10
Less than an Associate Degree	12

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Oversight Benchmark 5: Posting Inspection Reports

Online inspection and complaint reports are available to parents on the Internet.

Licensing Inspection and Complaint Reports Online					
State	Inspection Report Online	Complaint Report Online	State	Inspection Report Online	Complaint ReportOnline
Alabama	No	No	Missouri	Yes	No
Alaska	No	No	Montana	Yes	Yes
Arizona	Yes	Yes	Nebraska	No	Yes
Arkansas	Yes	Yes	Nevada	No	No
California	No	No	New Hampshire	Yes	Yes
Colorado	Yes	Yes	New Jersey	NA	NA
Connecticut	Yes	Yes	New Mexico	Yes	Yes
Delaware	Yes	Yes	New York	Yes	Yes
Department Of Defense	No	No	North Carolina	Yes	Yes
District Of Columbia	No	No	North Dakota	No	No
Florida	Yes	Yes	Ohio	NA	NA
Georgia	Yes	Yes	Oklahoma	Yes	Yes
Hawaii	No	No	Oregon	No	Yes
Idaho	NA	NA	Pennsylvania	Yes	Yes
Illinois	No	No	Rhode Island	No	No
Indiana	NA	NA	South Carolina	Yes	Yes
Iowa	No	No	South Dakota	NA	NA
Kansas	Yes	Yes	Tennessee	No	No
Kentucky	Yes	Yes	Texas	No	No
Louisiana	NA	NA	Utah	Yes	Yes
Maine	No	No	Vermont	Yes	Yes
Maryland	Yes	Yes	Virginia	NA	NA
Massachusetts	No	No	Washington	Yes	Yes
Michigan	Yes	Yes	West Virginia	No	No
Minnesota	No	No	Wisconsin	Yes	Yes
Mississippi	NA	NA	Wyoming	No	No

NA: Eight states, Idaho, Indiana, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Jersey, Ohio, South Dakota and Virginia do not license small family child care homes as defined by NACCRRA. In some of these states, a family child care home is not licensed until the number of children cared for reaches what NACCRRA defines as a Large Family Child Care Home. Louisiana and New Jersey license family child care homes as centers. In New Jersey, homes with six or more children are licensed as a center. In Louisiana, homes with seven or more children are licensed as a center.

Licensing Inspection and Complaint Reports Online	
Report	Number of States
Inspection Reports*	24
Complaint Reports*	25
* DoD does not offer reports online.	