



## Quality Rating and Improvement Systems (QRIS): Family Engagement Features Report

### Vermont: STep Ahead Recognition System (STARS)

Feature Category	Child Care Centers	Family Child Care
<b>Communication</b> <i>e.g., Bulletin board, parent handbook, written communication, initial intake or orientation meeting</i>	✓	✓
<b>Family Needs &amp; Feedback Inform Program</b> <i>e.g., Strengthening Families checklist, parent advisory board, parent survey, child assessment results are shared with families</i>	⊘	✓
<b>Collaborative Activities with Families</b> <i>e.g., Parent teacher conferences, activities with families, parent education</i>	✓	✓
<b>Community Resources &amp; Family Support</b> <i>e.g., community resource list</i>	✓	✓
<b>Comments</b>	Strengthening Families informs the Families and Community arena of STARS. A formal CSSP Strengthening Families self assessment and related plan is required at the 3 point level.	Not Applicable

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