

# Evaluate All Areas of Family Day Care Homes

## Day Care Evaluation

Name of Day Care Provider:

*Date of Visit:*

*Telephone Number:*

## 1.) Physical Characteristics of Day Care Home

### \*Inside space\*

- Sufficient for licensed capacity
- Space arrangement and play area
- Uncluttered for activities
- Cleanliness
- Safety precautions
- Lighting
- Ventilation
- General appearance of home

### \*Outside Area\*

- Fence
- Space for play activities
- Protected area
- Mowed and cleaned
- Safety precautions

### \*Equipment (excluding toys)\*

- Nap facilities
- Meal service
- Special equipment (playpens, etc)

## 2.) Work with Children

### \*Methods of Working with Children\*

- Sensitivity to child's feelings
- Awareness of child's progress or lack
- Accepts child as is
- Positive approach to children
- Sets realistic and appropriate limits
- Consistent in following limits
- Appropriate discipline
- Shares humor with children
- Reasonable expectations and goals
- Treats children with respect
- Assists child to gain confidence
- Personal life separate from child care

### \*Activities and Play Equipment\*

- Suitable and stimulating activities
- Adequate play equipment
- Child learns proper care/use equipment
- Supervises play adequately
- Provides active/quiet play
- Participates in training program

### \*Meals and Snacks\*

- Served on time
- Attractive and appetizing
- Well balanced
- Handling problem eaters
- Serving size appropriate

### \*Naps or Rest Arrangement\*

- Regular
- Well scheduled
- Duration suitable for child's needs

### \*Day Care Mother\*

- Friendly, warm
- General appearance/appropriate dress
- Speech and voice
- Tact/courtesy toward parents
- Displays sense of humor
- Dependable
- Self-confident
- Enthusiastic about working with children
- Demonstrates desire to learn
- Profits by suggestions
- Avoids personal involvement with parents
- Maintains good personal hygiene

### \*Maintenance of Health Standards\*

- Promptly reports illnesses/accidents
- Awareness of child's daily health
- Is appropriate in handling sick children
- Good judgement discussing illness with parents
- Follows professional advice
- Emergency phone numbers are available

### \*With Day Care Home Family\*

- Provider's physical health adequate for child care
- Provider's mental health adequate for child care
- Maintains state health standards