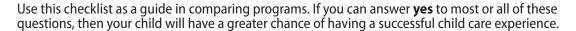
A checklist for choosing a quality child care program.

Research is now available that can help parents make a better child care choice for their children. When you visit a child care program, find out the answers to the questions below.





Child Care Center Checklist Do child care teachers have credentials and no) ues degrees in early childhood education or child development? Are child care teachers who do not have credenno ues tials or degrees taking college courses to earn them? yes no Are there low child/teacher ratios so that children can receive lots of individual attention all day? Is the child care center director an experienced yes no child care administrator with formal education in early childhood education and child care administration? Does the child care center have low turnover of no) yes teachers, less than 20% each year? Does the center meet higher than minimal licenyes no sure standards by either having a 3 to 5-star rated license or a national accreditation through the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)? Are the teachers well paid and receiving benefits?) yes no no Do parents have an opportunity to be involved in **yes** the center as volunteers in the classroom and on an advisory committee or board? Do teachers wash their hands often and help the yes no children wash their hands? Are there lots of materials and activities, such as ues no blocks, puzzles and art supplies available for the

children to explore all day long?

Child Care Referral Central is always here to help!

As you search for quality child care, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions, or if you would like assistance finding a child care program that meets your family's needs.

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