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SEEK & DEMAND QUALITY CHILD CARE

ASK THE RIGHT QUESTIONS!

Is this program enrolled in the voluntary rating system-Paths To QUALITY™? What level have they attained?

CAREGIVERS

- Does the caregiver seem to really like children?
- Does the caregiver speak to children at eye level?
- Are children greeted when they arrive?
- Are children's needs quickly met even at hectic times?
- Is the caregiver trained in CPR and first aid?
- Is the caregiver involved in education programs?
- Does the program keep up with children's changing interests?
- Will the caregiver keep you informed?
- Are parent's welcomed to get involved and share ideas?
- Do the caregiver and the children enjoy being together?
- Is the caregiver experienced?

SETTING

- Is the environment bright, clean and well maintained?
- Is there a safe outdoor play area with a variety of equipment?
- Can the caregiver see the entire playground at all times?
- Are there areas for resting, quiet play and active play? Is there enough space for the children in all of these areas?

ACTIVITIES

- Is there a daily balance of play time, story time, activity time and nap time?
- Are activities right for each age group?
- Are there enough toys and learning materials for the number of children in the child care?
- Are the toys clean, safe and within reach of the children?

IN GENERAL

- Do you agree with the discipline practices?
- Do you hear the sounds of happy children?
- Are children comforted when needed?
- Is the program licensed or registered?
- Are surprise visits by parents encouraged?
- Will your child be happy at this site?

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