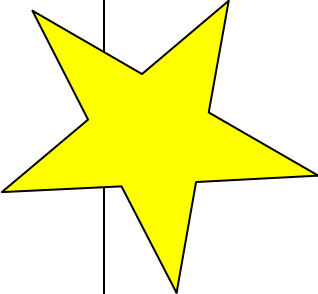








# REACH FOR THE STARS

Quality Rating System Support  
 Polk County Child Care Home Providers  
 July 1, 2009-June 30, 2010

	Eligibility	Steps Toward QRS	CCR&R Support	Financial Support	Who to Contact
<b>Training</b>	CCR&R trainings are open to all child care providers and programs  	Levels 1-5	Over 250 hours of training are offered, many series multiple times. Trainings include foundational series for those new to the child care field: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ChildNet for child care home providers</li> <li>• Welcome to Child Care for staff from center based programs)</li> <li>• Welcome to School Age Care for anyone providing school age care</li> </ul> Plus a variety of trainings in all Child Development Associate content areas.		Register for trainings on the Polk County Training Calendar at: <a href="http://www.centraliowachildcare.org">www.centraliowachildcare.org</a>  Carol Rainforth 246-3561
<b>Professional Development Consultation</b>	Registered Child Development Home (CDH) Providers	Levels 3-5	Consultation to help providers determine if they are ready for higher education including referrals to TEACH Iowa to complete a Child Development Associate credential or college degree	TEACH Iowa financial assistance	Jennifer Anderson 246-3591
<b>Child Care Home Consultants (CCHC)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-registered providers (Visit 1 only)</li> <li>• Must have attended a CCR&amp;R Information Meeting</li> </ul>	Level 1:	Four on site consultation visits with CCHCs that focus on assisting CDH providers to reach 100% compliance on the DHS registration checklist	Visit 2: \$50 gift certificate  Visit 4: \$100 stipend	Jeannie Rist 246-3562 Sunny Gibson 246-3577  
<b>Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registered Child Development Home (CDH) Providers</li> </ul> 	Level 2-5	On site consultation visits with CCNCs that focus on best practice for health & safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Partnership Agreement/Survey</li> <li>• Injury Prevention Checklist</li> <li>• Child Record Review</li> <li>• Health &amp; Safety Assessment</li> </ul>		Karen Doughan 246-3567

<b>ChildNet Certification</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered Child Development Home Providers</li> <li>Completion of ChildNet a 25 hours foundational training for home child care providers</li> <li>100% compliance on both The DHS registration checklist and the ChildNet certification checklist</li> </ul>	Level 2	On site consultation with CCHCs to verify 100% compliance on the DHS and ChildNet checklist, may include consultation and technical assistance identified in an Action Plan to assist the CDH provider in becoming ChildNet certified		Register for the ChildNet series at: <a href="http://www.centraliowachildcare.org">www.centraliowachildcare.org</a>  For information on ChildNet certification call: Jessie Mireles 246-3572
<b>Program for Infant Toddler Care (PITC) training and consultation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered Child Development Home Providers</li> <li>Completion of PITC Modules I-IV</li> <li>Participation in at least three hours of on-site consultation</li> <li>Completion of PITC Module V</li> </ul>	Level 3-5	Training hours to meet QRS professional development requirements  On site consultation with an Infant Toddler Specialist to assist in implementing PITC practices	Completion of Modules I-IV and six hours of on site consultation s: \$250 stipend  Completion of Module V: \$50 stipend	Register for the PITC series at: <a href="http://www.centraliowachildcare.org">www.centraliowachildcare.org</a>  For information on consultation call: Nancy Taylor 246-3507
<b>National Accreditation</b> 	Registered Child Development Home Providers	Levels 3-5	On site consultation and technical assistance to achieve accreditation through National Association of Family Child Care	\$1,500	Nicole Neubauer 246-3559
<b>Family Child Care Environmental Rating Scale (FCCERS)</b>	Registered Child Development Home (CDH) Providers	Levels 3-5	FCCERS training to meet QRS environment requirements  On site consultation with a CCHC in preparation for an ECERS assessment		Register for the PITC series at: <a href="http://www.centraliowachildcare.org">www.centraliowachildcare.org</a>  For information on consultation call: Nancy Taylor 246-3507
<b>Quality Improvement Grants</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered Child Development Home Providers who have completed four visits with a Child Care Home Consultant focusing on compliance with the DHS registration checklist.</li> <li>Original receipts documenting purchase of approved items from previous grants have been turned into CCR&amp;R</li> <li>Participate in a minimum of three on site grant consultations</li> </ul>	Levels 1-5:	On site consultation visits with CCHCs that focus on assisting CDH providers in developing an action plan for quality improvement.	Maximum \$1,500	Preschool Nicole Neubauer 246-3559  Infants & Toddlers Nancy Taylor 246-3507
<b>Iowa Quality Rating System (QRS)</b>	Registered Child Development Home (CDH) Providers	Levels 1-5	Technical assistance and consultation to complete an application for a QRS rating,		To request a QRS application call: Emily Brott 246-3592

