

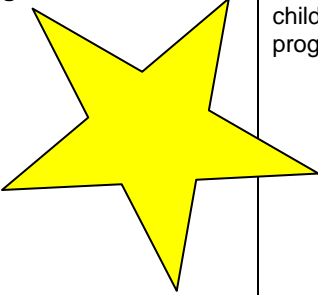


# Reach for the Stars




## Quality Rating System Support

### Polk County Licensed Centers, Preschools

July 1, 2009-June 30, 2010



	Eligibility	Steps Toward QRS	CCR&R Support	Financial Support	Who to Contact For More Information
<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> Also offered are 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>	Child Care programs that are licensed through the Department of Human Services (DHS) or operate under the authority of an accredited school district or non-public school	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 Center Consultants</b>	Child Care programs that are licensed through the Department of Human Services (DHS) or operate under the authority of an accredited school district or non-public school	Levels 1-5	On site consultation visits to provide assistance in quality improvement		Preschool: Kristie Vasey 246-3551 Infants and toddlers: Jenny Schreck 246-3558
<b>Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC)</b>	Child Care programs that are licensed through the Department of Human Services (DHS) or operate under the authority of an accredited school district or non-public school	Levels 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>Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale (ECERS) or</b>  <b>Infant and Toddler Environmental Rating Scale (ITERS)</b>	Program Director or Assistant Director	Levels 3-5:	ECERS or ITERS training to meet QRS environment requirements  On site consultation with a Child Care Center Consultant in preparation for an ECERS assessment		Register for ECERS or ITERS training at: <a href="http://www.centraliowachildcare.org">www.centraliowachildcare.org</a> Preschool: Kristie Vasey 246-3551 Infants and Toddlers: Jenny Schreck 246-3558
<b>New Staff Orientation training (NSO)</b>	Program Director or Assistant Director	Levels 3-5:	Training to meet QRS Leadership and Administration		Register for NSO training at: <a href="http://www.centraliowachildcare.org">www.centraliowachildcare.org</a>  Kristie Vasey 246-3551

<b>National Administrator Credential (NAC) training</b>	Program Director or Assistant Director	Levels 3-5:	Training to meet QRS Professional Development requirement		Register for NAC training at: <a href="http://www.centraliowachildcare.org">www.centraliowachildcare.org</a>  Kristie Vasey 246-3551
<b>Program for Infant Toddler Care (PITC) training and consultation</b> 	CCR&R trainings are open to all child care providers and programs	Level 3-5	Training hours to meet QRS Professional Development requirement  On site consultation with an Infant Toddler Specialist to assist in implementing PITC practices	Completion of Modules I-IV and three on site consultations: \$250 stipend  Completion of Module V: \$50 stipend	Register for PITC training at: <a href="http://www.centraliowachildcare.org">www.centraliowachildcare.org</a>  Jenny Schreck 246-3558
<b>Creative Curriculum Training and consultation</b>	CCR&R trainings are open to all child care providers and programs	Level 3-5	Training hours to meet QRS Professional Development and Environment requirements  On site consultation with a Curriculum Specialist to implement Creative Curriculum		Leann Andre 309-5733
<b>Quality Improvement Grants</b>  *To qualify original receipts for any previous grants documenting purchase of approved items or improvements must be turned into CCR&R	Child Care programs that are licensed through the Department of Human Services (DHS) or operate under the authority of an accredited school district or non-public school  Must have a current full or provisional license with no action to revoke or deny.  Have received no more than one previous grant  Programs who have received two or more previous grants may apply after Jan.1, 2010 as funding allows.	Levels 1-5	On site consultation visits with Child Care Center Consultants that focus on assisting programs in developing an action plan for quality improvement.	Maximum of \$3,000	Preschool: Kristie Vasey 246-3551 Infants and toddlers: Jenny Schreck 246-3558
<b>Iowa Quality Rating System (QRS)</b>	Child Care programs that are licensed through the Department of Human Services (DHS) or operate under the authority of an accredited school district or non-public school  Must have a current full or provisional license with no action to revoke or deny	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