Visits/Interviews

Child Care Center and Family Child Care Home Visits.

VISIT 1
Name of Center or Home Caregiver
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Date

VISIT 2
Name of Center or Home Caregiver
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VISIT 3
Name of Center or Home Caregiver
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1 2 3 What to ask the caregiver/teacher.

☐ ☐ ☐ What kind of experience do you have caring for children?
☐ ☐ ☐ What kind of training have you had in early childhood development, first aid, CPR, nutrition?
☐ ☐ ☐ Who will be caring for my child?
☐ ☐ ☐ How many children does each caregiver handle?
☐ ☐ ☐ How long have your caregivers been with you?
☐ ☐ ☐ Who provides children's meals and snacks. Can I see a weekly menu?
☐ ☐ ☐ Has this been designated an Ohio Healthy Program? (See www.occrra.org/ohp.php?pid=2)
☐ ☐ ☐ Does the program have policies that support serving healthy foods/beverages, daily physical activity and limiting screen time?
☐ ☐ ☐ Does the program work with parents to encourage healthy behavior?
☐ ☐ ☐ How will you make certain my child gets individual attention?
☐ ☐ ☐ What do you do if a child hits, bites another child, is uncooperative or has other problems requiring discipline?
☐ ☐ ☐ How do you soothe a child who is crying or upset?
☐ ☐ ☐ What is your approach to toilet training?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do you take children on field trips? Is permission required?
☐ ☐ ☐ What are the hours and days you offer care? What if I can't pick up my child on time?
☐ ☐ ☐ What are your fees? When do I pay them? Are there any added fees?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do I have to pay if a child is absent or on vacation? Is there a discount if more than one child is enrolled?
☐ ☐ ☐ Are there written contracts, emergency and sickness plans?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do you have backup care if you are sick or have an emergency?
☐ ☐ ☐ What kinds of health and medical information do you require?
☐ ☐ ☐ How will you communicate with me about my child's progress?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do you encourage parents to be involved? If so, how are they involved?
☐ ☐ ☐ What are the phone numbers of other parents I can contact?

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1 2 3 What to look for in the center or home.

☐ ☐ ☐ Do the children seem happy and comfortable?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do the teachers seem to really like the children?
☐ ☐ ☐ Are the teachers warm and friendly?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do the teachers talk and play with the children?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do the teachers meet the children’s needs quickly even when they’re busy?
☐ ☐ ☐ Are the babies held and cuddled?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do the teachers set limits consistently and gently?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do the teachers work well with each other?
☐ ☐ ☐ Are the activities right for the children’s ages?
☐ ☐ ☐ Is there time for play, stories, activities, meals and naps?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do they offer activities that encourage learning and growth?
☐ ☐ ☐ Is the place bright and cheerful.
☐ ☐ ☐ Is it safe and secure? (Does it have smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, window guards, stair gates, covered radiators, capped outlets, unbroken toys and equipment, fenced play area)
☐ ☐ ☐ Are the meals healthy and nutritious?
☐ ☐ ☐ Are medicines and cleaning products out of reach of the children?
☐ ☐ ☐ Is the place clean - especially eating, bathroom and diapering areas?
☐ ☐ ☐ Is there enough space for indoor and outdoor activities?

1 2 3 What to ask yourself.

☐ ☐ ☐ Will my child fit in here?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do I like their approach to learning, play and discipline?
☐ ☐ ☐ Can I easily talk with the staff about my child?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do I feel comfortable here?
☐ ☐ ☐ Is the location convenient for me?
☐ ☐ ☐ Do the costs, hours and policies meet my needs?

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