

STEP 1



for Child Care Home Based Providers



STANDARD	REQUIREMENTS
Health and Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The program gathers information on immunizations for individual children.• Home-based provider and staff have current pediatric first aid and pediatric CPR.• Home-based provider and staff annually review the guidelines for recognizing child abuse and neglect.
Staffing and Professional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home-based Provider and staff (if applicable) are in the IdahoSTARS PDS Registry.• Home-based Provider and staff (if applicable) complete Essential Training 1 or have a minimum of a current CDA or 12 ECE credits.• Home-based Provider and staff (if applicable) demonstrate ongoing professional development.• Assistants (if applicable) complete 4 hours of Essential Training 1 or have a minimum of a current CDA or 12 ECE credits.• Assistants (if applicable) demonstrate ongoing professional development.
Child Growth, Development and Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home-based Provider completes the Environment Rating Scale: A Tool for Quality Improvement Training.
Children with Diverse Abilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No requirement for Step 1.
Strengthening Families and Communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prevention policy in parent and staff handbook includes a policy for preventing child abuse and neglect, including sexual abuse.
Leadership and Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provider has a system for tracking provider and staff (if applicable) records and professional development.• Program has an emergency plan.• Home-based Provider completes a Quality Improvement Plan annually.

Programs have **one year** from enrollment to be verified at Step 1. If the participating program is not verified at Step 1 during the first year of enrollment, the program will be closed in Steps to Quality.