

Step 4 Essential Trainings

Committing to Strengthening Families



Checklist of Practice

Always	Sometimes	Not Yet	Caregiver Strategies: What they look like in practice
			1. Learn the names of each parent whose child is in your care
			2. Offer regular opportunities for families to socialize such as potlucks, celebrations, field trips, and special programs
			3. Post and discuss the five protective factors and their importance to quality early care throughout the program, among staff and parents
			4. Facility has a child sexual abuse prevention policy which is shared with staff and parents
			5. Offer opportunities for meaningful parental involvement, input, and leadership at times and locations that are convenient for parents
			6. Clearly define the roles and expectations of parents involved in leadership activities and advocacy opportunities
			7. Protect families' right to privacy by consciously maintaining confidentiality
			8. Eliminate, monitor, or reduce one-adult/one-child situations
			9. Staff are trained to recognize signs of child abuse and know how to report concerns
			10. Staff know what to do if a child discloses child sexual abuse
			11. Offer a parent-teacher conference during the year
			12. Provide an annual opportunity for parents and staff to give program feedback
			13. Staff communicate ideas for incorporating strategies program-wide
			14. Intentionally embed the protective factors through lesson plans, communication with parents, daily activities, special events, and crisis supports