

FCCHEN Health and Safety Checklist

General Environment	Yes	No	NA
Furniture is safe, sturdy and in good condition (no sharp edges, loose pieces or splinters).			
Educational materials are safe and in good condition, with no objects that can cause choking or suffocation (balloons, plastic bags).			
Educational materials are cleaned weekly and are kept in a safe and organized manner.			
Windows and doors are constructed and adapted to prevent children's injuries. Windows do not open more than 6 inches.			
Sliding doors have stickers at children's eye level.			
Electrical outlets within children's reach are covered with safety plugs.			
Heavy objects are properly secured in case of an earthquake.			
There are no decorations or furniture that are highly flammable, nor materials that emit toxic fumes.			
When children with disabilities are enrolled, the environment allows them to participate in a safe and effective manner.			
The home is maintained at a comfortable and safe temperature (a minimum of 68° F and a maximum of 85° F).			
Poisonous or flammable items are secured in cabinets, or under lock and key. These items must be kept away from food or medicine.			
Cleaning supplies are used according to the directions. Avoid use of aerosol products when children are present.			
There is no visible mold.			
The rooms are well lit.			
The rugs are tacked down or are non-slippery.			
Cigarettes, alcohol, tobacco and lighters are out of sight and reach of children.			
Hot surfaces are inaccessible, screened or covered to prevent children from being burned (heaters, heat registers, wood-burning stoves, stove pipes, water heaters, lit candles).			
The temperature of water accessible to children is kept below 120° F. (49° C). (Note: Check water heater temperature)			
Electrical cables or wiring are in good condition and long cables or wiring are rolled up and covered.			
Smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms are working and tested every six months.			
If house is in area subject to radon (and has a basement), a radon detector is installed and tested every six months.			
Fire arms are stored under lock and key and out of the reach of children.			
Exterior doors are properly secured, so that children cannot leave home (at the same time, ensure easy exit in an emergency).			



Fans are out of the reach of children.			
If there is a door that locks when shut, the latch must be taped open (or removed) or a key is kept nearby, outside the room.			
Walls and ceilings have no peeling paint or falling plaster.			
Furnishings (chairs, tables) must be sufficiently stable to prevent injury, especially on hard surfaces.			
All plants within the reach of children are not poisonous and without thorns.			
There is a secure barrier kept in place at the entrance of any stairway.			
Mopping pails must be emptied immediately after use.			
The kitchen area is maintained in a sanitary manner.			
Dangerous equipment, utensils, and cleaning materials are kept out of the reach of children.			
Food must be stored in the refrigerator within a half hour cooking or eating.			
If handling breast milk and/or formula, appropriate equipment is available for preparation and storage.			
Baby bottle procedures are followed including preparation, labeling, storage and disposal of unused milk.			

Kitchen

Yes No NA

Refrigerator has thermometer; temperature is under 40° F (4.4 ° C).			
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Bathroom

Yes No NA

The bathrooms are maintained in a sanitary manner.			
Bathroom items (including toothpaste and cosmetics) are kept out of the reach of children.			
If potty chairs are used, they must be cleaned in an utility sink.			

Infants

Yes No NA

There are safe and appropriate spaces for infants and toddlers.			
Spaces in the environment for infants and toddlers are separated from older children.			
Heavy toys or objects are placed low to prevent injury.			
Sanitation and hygiene procedures for diaper changes are followed.			
Infant toys are safe and non toxic.			
Durable toys are cleaned and disinfected daily.			
Babies are held in arms during feeding.			
No high chairs or small chairs are used for babies who are not able to sit on their own (usually at nine months).			
For programs allowing high chairs, children must be properly secured.			
Crib meet "Consumer Protection Safety Commission" standards.			
Crib are at least two feet away from lamps, fans, heaters, windows and blinds (or any other hanging cord).			



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Safe crib environment is maintained: baby sleeps on back, on firm mattress with fitted sheet, (without blankets or other objects in crib).			
Recommendation: Safe crib environment is maintained to prevent Sudden Infant Death (SIDS). Firm mattress with fitted sheet; no blankets or other objects that can cause suffocation or choking hazard.			
During the time children are sleeping, cribs, mats and playpens are placed so that they are readily accessible to facilitate emergency evacuation.			

Outdoors	Yes	No	NA
Outdoor play area is designed and managed so that no children can leave the area or be without visual supervision.			
The yard is fenced (minimum of 4' high). Any fence openings must be narrow enough to prevent head entrapment.			
Play equipment follows manufacturer's guidelines regarding appropriate height and cushioning; homemade structures are no more than 36" high, securely anchored, and adequate cushioning to prevent injuries.			
There is adequate shade in the play area.			
Wading pools need to be emptied immediately after use and it is necessary to have at least two adults supervising pool activity.			
Outdoor equipment is cleaned as necessary.			
The sandbox must be covered overnight and when not in use (naptime).			
Pets' rabies vaccinations are up to date.			
If caged pets are aggressive, cages are moved out of children's reach.			
The yard is free of excrement, stinging or poisonous insect nests.			
If the children go through the garage to go outside, the passage way is safe.			
Swimming pools are fenced (minimum 5') and with a self closing gate; it is necessary to have at least two adults supervising.			

Emergency Response	Yes	No	NA
Policies and plan of action in case of emergency are clearly visible (for example, if a child is choking).			
Both the telephone and the emergency phone list are visible.			
Emergency cards are readily accessible in case of an emergency.			
The fire extinguisher is inspected annually and has current certification (or proof of purchase within the last year).			
Providers have quick access to a first aid kit with necessary items.			
First Aid kit with necessary and appropriate items.			
The first aid kit is out of children's reach.			
Earthquake/emergency supplies are complete, checked annually and accessible to adults.			
Emergency lighting is available and in working condition.			



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Medicine	Yes	No	NA
All children's medicines have appropriate prescription label.			
Unrefrigerated medicines are under lock and key and out of the reach of children.			
Medicines that require refrigeration are kept in the refrigerator.			

Thank you for completing the FCCHEN Health and Safety Checklist

Provider Printed Name: _____

Provider Signature: _____ **Date:** _____