

KEY
to STARS STANDARDS VERIFICATIONS
Certified Family Child Care Homes

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Ratios	1& 2. Ratios/ Capacity: Applicable ratios and capacity related to each STARS level must be posted prominently and adhered to at all times	1& 2. Ratios/ Capacity: Applicable ratios and capacity related to each STARS level must be posted prominently and adhered to at all times	1. Ratios: Ratios/ Capacity: Applicable ratios and capacity related to each STARS level must be posted prominently and adhered to at all times 2. Employ an assistant if the home cares for At least 6 children and more than 3 are less than 24 months old	1. Capacity. Not to exceed 9 children, with no more than 6 unrelated. The capacity must be prominently posted and adhered to at all times
Curriculum	3. Current Certificate: License must be posted. 4. STARS Overview: Documented by an overview certificate issued to provider 5. Program of Activities: Documented by a posted plan outlining activities that will occur with the children 6. Daily Schedule: Documented by a posted schedule outlining the daily routine of the program 7. Family Activity: Verify that at least one (1) activity took place or show written evidence that an activity is scheduled 8. FDCRS: Documented by provider signature on DCC-401 as intent to complete within 12 months 9. Improvement Plan: Second year requirement. Verify upon provider agreement with DCC-401	3. Level 1 requirements plus: Family activity: Verify that at least two (2) activities took place or show written evidence that an activity is scheduled 8. Family activity plan: Documented by a written plan, either for the current year or following year 6. FDCRS Score of 3: Documented by ERS assessment completed by Rater 7. Written improvement plan Documented by written plan if ERS average score is 3.0 or less 8. FDCRS score of 4 : Documented by ERS assessment completed by Rater	3. Level 2 requirements plus: 4. Family activity: Verify that at least three (3) activities have been completed or show written evidence that an activity is scheduled 6. FDCRS Score of 4.5: Documented by ERS assessment completed by Rater 7. Television use: FDCRS score of at least 5 on item relating to television usage as scored by Rater (Provider limits use of TV to programs and video games regarded as good for children. No more than 2 hrs per day. Activities are provided as an alternative while TV is on)	2. Level 3 requirements plus: Family activity: verified that at least four (4) activities took place or show written evidence that an activity is scheduled 6. FDCRS Score of 5.5: Documented by ERS assessment completed by Rater 3. Accreditation: Documented by accreditation certificate or written notification of accreditation from an approved source Enhancement Award: Verify through FDCRS assessment as scored by Rater
Training	10. Annual Training: Verified through review of training certificates and/or ECE-TRIS training record 11. Training Plan: The certified provider must development and implement an annual training plan within in the first year of STARS participation	Level 1 requirements plus: 10. CPR and first aid Documented by approved certification cards or documents 11. At least 9 training clock hours: Documented by approved training certificates and/or ECE-TRIS training record	8. Level 2 requirements plus: 9. At least 18 training clock hours and approved credential Documented by approved training certificates and/or ECE-TRIS training record 10. CDA or higher: (fourth year requirement) documented by current CDA credential 11. Orientation for assistants: Copy of orientation training certificate for all assistants. Documented by approved training certificates and/or ECE-TRIS training record 12. Assistants- 6 annual training hours: Documented by approved training certificates and/or ECE-TRIS training record	4. Level 3 requirements plus: 7. Director's credential or equivalent: Verified by copy of credential CDA or higher: Documented by current CDA credential
Personnel	14. Program Policies: Must have documented policies on hand. 15. Parent/Provider Agreement: Documented by A sample written agreement and evidence of its use	Level 1 requirements plus: 14. Record keeping system: Documented by written financial records showing income and expenses	14. Level 2 requirements plus: 15. Written daily report: Documented by a sample report and verified by interview that guardians of children less than 2 years old receive a written daily report 16. Handbook: Verified by reviewing parent/family handbook	Level 3 requirements plus: 9. Professional organization: Documented by written evidence of current membership
Regulatory Compliance	Posted Certificate	Posted Certificate	Posted Certificate	Posted Certificate