

TITLE 5 FUNDED PROGRAMS (STATE PRESCHOOLS, CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS, HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START)

LOCATION: Care takes place in a commercial facility.

SCHEDULES: Full and part time schedules typically following traditional work hours. School or full year.

STAFF QUALIFICATIONS: College level courses, Child Development Permit and required ongoing training.

HEALTH & SAFETY: Background clearance. CPR, First Aid and Preventative Health Practices certified. Announced and unannounced site inspections from Community Care Licensing.

SCHOOL READINESS: Required to provide age and developmentally appropriate learning experiences for all children. Uses assessments to gauge child's abilities. Must document and inform parents of child's growth and development.

MEALS: Required to provide healthy meals and snacks. Menus must meet Food Program nutritional guidelines.

ADULT: CHILD RATIOS

STATE FUNDED

1:3 infants (0-18 mos)

1:4 toddlers (18 mos-3 yrs)

1:8 preschoolers (3-5 yrs)

1:14 school age (5-12 yrs)

FEDERALLY FUNDED

1:4 infants (0-18 mos)

1:4 toddlers (18 mos-3 yrs)

1:10 preschoolers (3-5 yrs)

MONITORING: Licensed by State of California, Community Care Licensing, 619-767-2200, and State and Federal Auditors.

FAMILY, FRIEND, NEIGHBOR (INFORMAL CARE)

LOCATION: Care takes place in parent's or caregiver's home.

SCHEDULES: Availability varies. Family and caregiver arrange time and location of care.

STAFF QUALIFICATIONS: No minimum education, training, or experience is required. May participate in trainings, schooling or other professional development activities.

HEALTH & SAFETY: Select providers who are contracted with a subsidy program may need to complete a background clearance. Not required to be CPR, First Aid and Preventative Health Practices certified.

SCHOOL READINESS: Varies. Structured, age appropriate activities that support learning may or may not be offered.

MEALS: May or may not provide healthy meals and snacks. Not eligible to participate in the Child Care Food Program.

ADULT: CHILD RATIOS

Varies. May only care for one family in order to be legally license exempt.

MONITORING: Not licensed. Monitoring is the responsibility of parent.

FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME

LOCATION: Care takes place in the provider's home.

SCHEDULES: Full and part time schedules. May offer traditional, evening, night, weekend, early morning or overnight care.

STAFF QUALIFICATIONS: No minimum education, training or experience is required. May participate in trainings, schooling or other professional development activities.

HEALTH & SAFETY: Background clearance. CPR, First Aid and Preventative Health Practices certified. Announced and unannounced site inspections from Community Care Licensing.

SCHOOL READINESS: Varies. Structured, age appropriate activities that support learning may or may not be offered. Having a group of children allows providers to facilitate age appropriate activities, establish routines and build skills that support school readiness. Not required by licensing.

MEALS: May or may not provide healthy meals and snacks. May participate in the Child Care Food Program.

ADULT: CHILD RATIOS

SMALL 1:6 plus 2 school age children; no more than 3 infants

LARGE 2:12 plus 2 school aged children; no more than 4 infants

MONITORING: Licensed by State of California, Community Care Licensing, 619-767-2200.

CHILD CARE CENTER (TITLE 22)

LOCATION: Care takes place in a commercial facility.

SCHEDULES: Full and part time schedules typically following traditional work hours. School or full year.

STAFF QUALIFICATIONS:

Director: 12 units child development and 4 years experience

Teacher: 12 units child development

Teacher Aide: 6 units child development

HEALTH & SAFETY: Background clearance. CPR, First Aid and Preventative Health Practices certified. Announced and unannounced site inspections from Community Care Licensing.

SCHOOL READINESS: Varies. Structured, age appropriate activities that support learning may or may not be offered. Having a group of children allows providers to facilitate age appropriate activities, establish routines and build skills that support school readiness. Not required by licensing.

MEALS: May or may not provide healthy meals and snacks. May participate in the Child Care Food Program.

ADULT: CHILD RATIOS

1:4 infants (0-24mos)

1:12 preschoolers (2-5yrs)

1:14 school age (5-12yrs)

MONITORING: Licensed by State of California, Community Care Licensing, 619-767-2200.