

**YMCA  
of Philadelphia and Vicinity  
NETWORK**

**FAMILY**

**CHILD CARE**

**YMCA**

**ACCREDITATION INITIATIVE**

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## **CHECKLIST of Completed Steps**

- State Orientation
- City Orientation
- Child Abuse Clearance
- Criminal Background Check
- Health Assessment
- Pre-Assessment of Home by YMCA staff
- If renting, letter of permission from owner
- Letter for WDBC
- Business Privilege License, Family Day Care License, and Food Prep License
- Submit all paper work to Dept. of Public Welfare (Broad & Spring Garden Sts., Rm. 502)
- Receive Family Day Care Certificate of Registration





WHAT IS THE  
**ACCREDITATION  
INITIATIVE?**

The Accreditation Initiative is the Family Child Care Network's way to increase the quality and quantity of infant/toddler care slots; providing training and technical assistance to meet prerequisites for accreditation under NAFCC.

As a participant in this initiative family child care provider will have access to technical assistance to meet prerequisites for accreditation through training, developmentally appropriate materials, resources, equipment and supplies.

**POSITIVE FEATURES  
OF  
FAMILY CHILD CARE**

- | Child receives individual attention.
- | Atmosphere is more like a "family".
- | Child has one consistent caregiver.
- | Sibling may be able to attend the same home; infant to school-age care.
- | Flexible hours that suite part-time and non-traditional hours of care.
- | Overhead costs are less than child care centers.

WHO IS  
**ELIGIBLE?**

Any resident of Philadelphia or Delaware County who has the desire and the commitment to follow through with the stipulations of the YMCA Family Child Care Network

You must reside at the home and must be in the process of becoming a licensed family child care provider. If you rent, you must obtain written permission from your landlord before you can proceed to open your business.

Participants must be willing to obtain ALL required licenses and permits from the City and State in order to legally operate their business. If you are currently licensed you must be willing to improve the quality of your child care learning environment.

All program participants must undergo a health exam and pass a drug screening at a physician of their choice. In addition, participants must pass a home pre-assessment. You must also possess a high school diploma or GED.

Participants must be willing to work with the YMCA and its Family Child Care Specialists for a period of 2 yrs; complete "CDA" preparatory training for Family Child Care or Infants and Toddlers; complete Accreditation Training requirements and submit applications to initiate NAFCC accreditation process. You will also complete the "Readiness Self-Assessment" test for accreditation preparation.

Plan To Succeed As A Family Child Care Provider.  
For More Information on Call The Accreditation Initiative

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