

Evidence/Readiness Guide for Rating Levels 3 – 5 of the Colorado Shines QRIS for Family Child Care Homes

This guide will support Family Child Care Providers to prepare for the L3-5 and will guide providers on what documentation is needed to earn points.

*Changes during virtual ratings: Timelines have been extended from 12 to 24 months. Indicators normally requiring notes from observations have been modified. Indicator 2.2 now requires submitted photos. Indicators 4.3, 5.5, and 5.7a do not require additional submitted evidence.

*Note on virtual events: Events held virtually or over the phone are acceptable for indicators requiring meetings or events. Please submit evidence of how the event was advertised, communicated, or scheduled (e.g. emails to families, calendar invites, etc.). If a virtual event occurred in the past and no documentation was made at the time, please email the appropriate parties (family members, board members, etc.) requesting confirmation that the specific event occurred, including the date of the event. Submit your original email and their confirmation response as evidence.

Std. #	Evidence ¹	Possible Pts.	Collection Method	Verification ²	Comments	Clarifications	
	I. Workforce Qualifications ³ Possible Points Earned – 11 Estimated Points Anticipated:						
		-			ood Professional II, III or IV Credential (1.	1-1.3).	
1.1	Early Care Professional meets re	equirement	ts for Early Child	Ihood Professional II Credential			
	CO EC Professional Credential Level II verified by the Professional Development Information System (PDIS)	2, or	PDIS	Score based on Credential Level autoscored by the PDIS for the licensed child care Provider	If no credential or less than level II, then 0 points 6 maximum total points for 1.1-1.3 Only current Credentials will be considered for 1.1-1.3	1.1 -1.3 refers to the Provider listed on the child care license issued through the Colorado Department of Human Services. As defined in 7.707.31 A of the Colorado RULES REGULATING FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES). http://media.wix.com/ugd/97dde5_d9b85f 1aa57b4b99b6b739c437094e24.pdf	

¹ Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) must be created in the Program's QRIS Colorado Shines account (will be referenced for scoring purposes). It must reflect goals, timelines (progress and achievement), action steps/strategies/resources used, desired and actual outcomes, and has been created or revised within the last year (date/s clearly visible). Multimedia communications must be identifiable – screenshot of Facebook page, copy of email, web address/es, etc. The L3-L5 Rating Family survey completed by families during the rating window – auto-scored for scoring purposes; no documentation necessary to submit. The L3-L5 Staff survey completed by staff working directly with children and families during the rating window – auto-scored for scoring purposes; to submit.

² To earn the points associated with any standards, all items in the verification column for that standard must be produced or observed unless otherwise noted. All references to "written policy" require the policy is contained within an established document such as a handbook or manual or verifiable system. Handwritten or typed stand-alone policies will be considered verifiable as established policies by displaying the approximate creation (origination) or revision date on the policy accompanied by the Provider's signature of authenticity. For dispute resolution processes (e.g. resubmission and/or appeal) documentation requiring a date/time-stamp must not exceed a date beyond the last day of the rating window/month.

³ Documentation of Credentials of non-educational staff members (e.g., Administrative support staff, Cook, Accountant, Other, etc.), those not working directly in the program are not considered, however, completion of their selfassessments and IPDPs are. If completed through the PDIS, they are not necessary to submit as evidence (autoscored) – PDIS records will be consulted for scoring purposes. Staff without a position title in the PDIS will not be considered.





1.2	Early Care Professional meets re	equiremen	ts for Farly Child	hood Professional III Credential		Providers must have an Early Childhood Professional Credential issued through the Colorado Department of Education. If the provider does not hold a credential prior to the rating, documentation must be submitted toward the credential through PDIS by the close of the rating window. (5:00pm on the last day of the rating month)
	CO EC Professional Credential Level III verified by the PDIS	4, or	PDIS	Score based on credential/letter for licensed child care Provider	Same as 1.1	Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 1.1.
1.3	Early Care Professional meets re	equiremen	ts for Early Child	hood Professional IV Credential		
	CO EC Professional Credential Level IV verified by the PDIS	6, or	PDIS	Score based on credential/letter for licensed child care Provider	Same as 1.1	Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 1.1.
Self-As	ssessment & IPDP					
1.4a	The Early Care Professional and Childhood Educators.	any other	professionals w	ho provide direct services to childre	n will complete an annual self-assessmen	t based on Colorado's competencies for Early
	Completed self- assessment for each staff member providing direct services to children and families	1	PDIS	Competency Self- Assessment completed through the PDIS and verified by reporting of the Provider's Colorado Shines <i>Workforce</i> tab	Additional "staff" members include support staff	
1.4b	The Early Care Professional and	any other	professionals us	e the self-assessment to inform and	l update their Individual Professional Dev	elopment Plan.
	Individual Professional Development Plan	1	QRIS Upload and/or PDIS	IPDPs from PDIS records		Completion of the Individual Professional Development Plan (IPDP) will be verified on





	(IPDP) for each early childhood professional providing direct services to children	Completion of IPDPs in the PDIS is verified by reporting of the Provider's Colorado Shines <i>Workforce</i> tab (documentation not necessary to submit)	the Workforce page of the program's QRIS application. The Colorado Competencies for Early Childhood Educators and Administrators (https://www.cde.state.co.us/early/ecprof essionalcompetencies)					
On-Goi	n-Going Professional Development							
1.5	Early Care Professional has received (or is c	currently receiving) credentialed coaching/consulting activities of at least 3/5/8 ho	urs in the past 24 months.					
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	Completed Coaching/consulting log OR Letter from coaching representative	1, 2, or 3	QRIS Upload	Log reflects at least 3, 5, or 8 hours of credentialed coaching/consulting	3 maximum points for 1.5 a-c Consider only last 24 months including the program rating window Includes coaching from early Childhood Mental Health Consultants who hold the Infant Mental Health endorsement	 All coaching, either Internal or External, must be done by a coach holding a Coaching Credential issued through the Colorado Department of Education, unless they meet one of the requirements listed below. If the coaches credentials cannot be verified at a program's rating window, the coaching will not count and points will not be awarded for coaching hours received. Newly hired coaches, with the local Early Childhood Council, will have 6 months from the date of their hire to acquire at least a Level 1 Coaching Credential. A letter from the Early Childhood Council verifying the coaches' date of hire will be required for the coaching hours to count if they do not hold a Coaching Credential issued through the Colorado Department of Education. Any coaching in regards to Expanding Quality in Infant Toddler Care (EQIT) can only count towards
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			Infant/Toddler classrooms and be allowed with a letter from the loo council on Council letterhead to b given credit. Individuals who hold an Infant/Toddler Mental Health Endorsement through COAIMH ca be used for coaching time withou
			holding a Coaching Credential.
Notes or Action Steps	• • • •		
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II. Family Partnerships

Possible Points Earned – 20 Estimated Points Anticipated:

Home Language

2.1	The program provides documer	ntation or v	vritten procedur	e of the use of interpreters, or othe	er resources for help with other languages	s of enrolled families.
	Related written policy OR Other relevant documentation	2	QRIS Upload	 Policy must mention how families receive (or would receive) information in their home language. Other documentation must demonstrate the source/s used to help support the inclusion of other languages 	Examples could include recent (within the last 24 months) documentation that shows the use of an interpreter for family communications. Use of a language line or in person interpreter is acceptable (this may NOT solely include Google Translate).	Written Policies/Procedures: To earn the points associated with any indicator, all items in the verification column of the Evidence Document for that indicator must be produced or observed. All references to "written policy" or "written procedure" require the policy/procedure is contained within an established document such as a handbook or manual or verifiable system. Handwritten or typed stand-alone policies/procedures will be considered verifiable as established policies /procedures by displaying the creation or revision date on the policy /procedure accompanied by the providers' signature of authenticity.
Sensiti	vity to Diversity					
2.2			-	on about community-based progran families, including families with hig	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ion, physical fitness, food banks, Child Find,
	 Photo(s) of materials on site AND Photo(s) of resources on site 	1	QRIS Upload	 Photograph(s) of more than one accessible "material" must be observed on site (materials could include activity packets, books, toy lending library, parent library, etc.) and Photograph(s) of more than one accessible "resource" must be 	Label photographs to indicate materials or resources. Resources available on a parent board or near sign-in/out for example Accessible is defined as immediately available to families without asking for access	





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		observed on site (resources could be flyers, brochures, posted announcements for services delivered on or off-site)		
The program offers opportunitie children in the program.	es for all families, inclu	ding those from different backgrounds	and communities, to get to know one a	nother and work together for the benefit of th
Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family survey results AND one of the following: Sign-in sheets for related events OR Flyers for related events OR Newsletter Articles	1 L3-L5 Fami Survey, QRIS Uploa	families acknowledge	Results from the L3-L5 Family survey (no documentation required) Documentation must specify event name and date, including the year	Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family Surveys: The Colorado Shines Family Survey will be made available approximately 30 days priot to the program's rating window. This is done after the program receives their orientation call from the CO Shines Lead Assessor. Families will complete these surveys online. A link will be provided on the program's profile. The surveys are available in English and Spanish. Family Child Care Homes must get at least 70 % of families served to respond and return the survey in order to receive points. For each indicator requiring family survey results, 60 % of families must agree that the practice takes place to receive maximum points. Family surveys must be completed by 5:00 pm on the last day of the ratings month. Any questions or concerns regarding the Family Surveys are to be directed to the programs assigned Lead Assessor or email ratings@claytonearlylearning.org. This survey is not to be used as evidence for the Program's Family Survey asked for in Indicator 2.6a of the Point Structure Guide





2.4	The program has written proceed new settings.	dures that (describe how tra	ansitions are supported and informa	tion shared with families in order to help	prepare the child and family for transition to
	Related written policy addressing transitions to new settings	1	QRIS Upload	Policy must include: an opportunity for individualization examples of transition strategies used how this is shared with families	All transitions must be included: Child's home to family child care home Family child care home to Kindergarten/Elementary school (if applicable)	For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1.
2.5 a	classroom to another, from hor	ne to a clas	sroom, to anoth	ner setting, connecting families with		nat to expect in terms of transitions from one hool) in order to help prepare the child and
	family for transition and to help Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family survey results	1	L3-L5 Family Survey	60% of responding families acknowledge that they have been offered such opportunities.	Results from the L3-L5 Family survey (no additional documentation required)	<u>Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family Surveys:</u> Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.3.
2.5b	Session sign-in sheets and/or in	dividual co	nference logs in	dicate the program offers informati	on sessions and/or individual family mee	tings specific to child transitions.
	 Event sign-in sheets OR Information/Meeting Agenda OR Individual conference logs 	1	QRIS Upload	At least one event within the past 24 months must be represented in evidence presented	Documentation must specify event name and date, and specify how documentation is specific to the topic of transitions	
Engage	ement of Families					
2. 6a		mily survey	to ask families	for suggestions on how to improve	the program and how the program can su	ipport families.
	Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family survey results	1	L3-L5 Family Survey QRIS Upload	 60% of responding families acknowledge that this has taken place. Copy of Family Survey (Created by the Provider) 	Results from the L3-L5 Family survey (no additional documentation required)	<u>Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family Surveys:</u> Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.3.





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	Copy of the Program's Family Survey (Created by the Provider)			with improvement or support question	Annual Family survey differs from the Colorado Shines L3-L5 Rating Family Survey (do not duplicate questions) Aggregate report of survey results is also acceptable	The Providers Family Survey must be Provider created. The Colorado Shines Family Surveys are not applicable for 2.6 A.
2.6b	The results from the survey are	shared wit	th families.			
	 Newsletter OR Meeting agenda OR Sign-in sheet 	1	QRIS Upload	Survey results were shared in a newsletter or email, reflected on a meeting agenda, or other multimedia outlets	Documentation must specify event name and date, including the year	
2.7 a	Family survey results indicate the	ne program	n conducts two a	nnual parent/teacher conferences.		
	Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family survey results	1	L3-L5 Family Survey	60% of responding families acknowledge they have been offered such opportunities	Results from the L3-L5 Family survey (no documentation required)	<u>Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family Surveys:</u> Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.3.
2.7b	Conference logs for each classro	oom indica	te the program c	onducts two annual parent/teache	r conferences.	
	 Conference logs for each age group OR Program Calendar OR Written Policy 	2	QRIS Upload	Two completed conference logs for each age group served in the past 24 months or family handbook policy	Age groups include: Infant (if applicable) Toddler (if applicable) Preschool/Pre-K (if applicable)	For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1.
2.8 a	Family surveys indicate the prog Guidelines.	gram offer	s annual educatio	onal information sessions on child c	levelopment and learning aligned with the	ne Early Learning and Development
	Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family survey results	1	L3-L5 Family Survey	60% of responding families acknowledge that they have been offered such opportunities	Results from the L3-L5 Family survey (no additional documentation required)	<u>Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family Surveys:</u> Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.3.
2.8b	Event sign-in sheets and/or age	ndas indica	ate the program	offers annual educational informat	ional sessions.	





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	 Event sign-in sheets OR Agendas OR Newsletters OR Flyers 	1	QRIS Upload	One event within the past 24 months must be reflected in evidence presented.	Documentation must specify event name and date, including the year Sessions must include an informative education component for families (this must be evident in the documentation submitted) – one-on-one sessions between Provider and individual families acceptable If hosted outside of the family home (e.g. local library), the documentation must demonstrate the Provider's participation	Credit may not be earned if the documentation does not clearly demonstrate the ELDG domain/s the session/s intended to inform families
2.9a	Family surveys indicate the prog	gram provi	des a series of p	arenting classes annually.		
	Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family survey results	1	L3-L5 Family Survey	60% of responding families acknowledge that they have been offered such opportunities.	Results from the L3-L5 Family survey (no documentation required)	<u>Colorado Shines L3-L5 Family Surveys:</u> Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.3.
2.9b	Event sign in sheets and/or age	ndas indica	ate that program	provides parenting classes, which i	ncludes family goal setting and action pla	ns.
	 Family goal setting/action planning form/template in use AND one of the following: Event sign-in sheets OR Agendas 	2	QRIS Upload	At least one event within the past 24 months must be reflected in evidence presented. (Examples could include Cooking Matters, Strengthening Families, Love & Logic, etc.)	Family goal setting/action plan form/template could assess their knowledge, goals for their family based on the information they received/were taught Documentation must specify event name and date, including the year. One-on-one sessions between Provider and individual families acceptable Partnering with community agencies	If the event is offered by an outside organization, it must be in conjunction with the program, showing the intention of the training and how it aligns with family goals – ensure the documentation references both of offering organization and collaborating program's name.
Engag	ement with Community				rathering with community agencies	





2.10	A plan is written and implemer educational).	nted describ	ing procedures	to refer and connect families to app	propriate community service agencies (e.g	a, mental health, health, developmental,
	U Written procedure	1	QRIS Upload	Written procedure must describe how families are put in contact with appropriate resources.	Description includes steps taken to identify and refer families for services	For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1.
2.11	• •			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	• · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	sign learning activities that aid in meeting earning Plans, and/or other individual plans.
	 Letter of reference from collaborating agency OR Written Policy/Procedure 	2	QRIS Upload	 Letter must indicate the type of activity on which the program worked with the collaborating agency and be dated within the past 24 months Written procedure must include steps taken to identify children and engage with collaborating agencies 		For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1. This could include a partnership with Child Find or an agency that provides therapy services for children with an IFSP or IEP.
<u>Not</u>	es or Action Steps:					





III.	III. Leadership, Management & Administration Possible Points Earned – 6 Estimated Points Anticipated:								
Progra	Program Evaluation								
3.1 a	The Program has developed a c	ontinuous	quality improve	ment plan that is updated annually,	with documented goals, timelines, and c	outcomes			
	Quality Improvement Plan	2	QRIS Upload	 Quality Improvement Plan reflects goals, timelines and outcomes and has been created or revised within the last year. The QIP in the QRIS Colorado Shines Program Portal/account may be used in place of a center- created QIP 	QIP must have a creation or revision date clearly visible QIP must have all 3 components: Goals Timelines (e.g. progress and achievement/s) Action Steps/strategies/resources used Outcomes (e.g. desired and actual) Created or revised within the last year (date/s clearly visible)	QIP Goals must show that they are in progress or completed.			
3.1b	The QIP is shared with staff, far	nilies, and	stakeholders.						
	 Written Policy OR Newsletters OR Emails to families OR Meeting Agendas 	1	QRIS Upload	 Newsletters, agendas, or emails showing that QIP's have been shared with families in the past 24 months Written policy must be in the family handbook for notification of the plan's accessibility for viewing if a hard copy is kept or posted within the program space 		For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1.			





Professional Conduct	Prof	fessi	onal	Cond	uct
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Profes	sional Conduct					
3.2	The program has a written cod	e of profes	sional conduct.	Staff is trained annually on the code	e of conduct.	
	U Written code	1	QRIS Upload	Written code includes more than two professional standards	Support staff trained (if applicable)	Written Code of Ethics can be Program created or adopted (ex. NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct, <u>http://www.naeyc.org/positionstatements</u> /ethical_conduct)
Busine	ss Administration					
3.3	The program has a current bus	iness plan a	nd/or strategic	plan created or revised in the past 3	36 months.	
	Business plan OR	1	QRIS Upload	Plan must reflect: Goals, outcomes, strategies and timelines A creation or revision date within the past 36 months.		
3.4	The program has a current-yea	r operating	budget and qua	arterly income and expense stateme	ents that show revenues, expenses, and	budget compared to actual.
	Current-year operating budget AND Quarterly income & expense statements	1	QRIS Upload	Documentation must show comparison between projected annual and YTD figures for revenue and expenses.	For program privacy, a redacted or blacked-out budget is acceptable	
<u>Note</u>	es or Action Steps:					





IV. Learning Environment

Possible Points Earned – 27 Estimated Points Anticipated:

Curriculum

4.1a The program has a curriculum that has been aligned with the domains of Colorado's Early Learning and Development Guidelines, and is age specific to the children the program serves to include: 1) physical development and health; 2) social & emotional development; 3) language and literacy development; 4) cognitive development; 5) literacy knowledge & skills; 6) logic & reasoning; 7) mathematics knowledge & skills; 8) science knowledge & skills; 9) social studies knowledge & skills; 10) creative arts expression.

4.1b	Completed CO Shines curriculum/assessmen t crosswalk document	1	QRIS Upload	Curriculum crosswalk showing the curriculum in use clearly addresses all learning domains included in the CO Early Learning & Development Guidelines	addresses all learning domains of Colorad	CO Early Learning & Development Guidelines. http://earlylearningco.org/pdf/ELDG_Guid elines_English.pdf The CO Shines Curriculum/Assessment Crosswalk document can be found on the CO Shines website under "For Programs" and "Program Resources". •Birth to 3 years - http://coloradoshines.force.com/resource/ 1440607605000/asset_pdfs1/asset_pdfs1/C rosswalkBirth3.pdf •3 to 5 years - http://coloradoshines.force.com/resource/ 1440607605000/asset_pdfs1/asset_pdfs1/C rossWalk35.pdf
	Guidelines.	1	QRIS Upload	Sample (1 week) of recent, dated weekly lesson plans for each age	Clearly indicate age groups Age groups include:	Learning Domains can be staggered throughout the sample and does not need to be done daily. Highlight domains in the Lesson Plans to show where and how they
				group served, that reflects planned activities, learning domains addressed, and learning materials used.	 Infant (if applicable) Toddler (if applicable) Preschool (if applicable) More than one curriculum (including self-created) in use is acceptable (e.g. 	are addressed.





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					supplemental curriculums to capture all learning domains) Clearly indicate the domains in the documentation submitted – domains do not have to occur all in one day	
4.2	The Provider provides documer	ntation that	they have recei	ved training on curriculum within t	-	
	Training certificates	3	QRIS Upload	Training certificate with date and participant name clearly visible.	Documentation must specify event name and date, including the year	Training must related to specific curriculum used by the provider. Generalized training on curriculum or curriculum topics (Ex. Math, Science, etc.) must show how it directly correlates with curriculum program is using. Training on the Early Learning and Developmental Guidelines will be accepted (FCCH Only)
Ratio a	and Group Size					
4.3 a	The Program has designed a pla	n and time	line to move to	ward lower group size and improve	adult:child ratios beyond what is require	d by licensing.
	U Written plan with timeline	2, or	QRIS Upload	Written plan must describe a staffing and/or enrollment/attendance pattern that explains how it would improve adult: child ratios beyond what is required by licensing. The plan timeline must be implemented within the next 36 months.		For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1. Plan or Policy should describe what the providers plan is to reduce the teacher:child ratio, meet or maintain adult:child ratio recommendations described in 4.3b or 4.3c. Policy can be a pre-existing policy created by the program.





4.3b

Partial implementation of a plan to lower group size and improve adult:child ratios as follows: Partial implementation-Total capacity seven (7) children1 Up to One (1) child under 24 months Up to One (1) child 24 months - 2 years Up to One (1) 2 years to 3 years Up to two (2) children 3-5 years - enrolled and attending kindergarten Up to two (2) school age children Partial implementation for Large Family Child Care Homes: Total capacity of eleven (11) children and two (2) caregivers, 2nd caregiver required when seven (7) or more children in care.

	 Written plan with timeline OR Written policy OR Documented ratio plan AND 	4, or	QRIS Upload Assessor report	 Same as 4.3a Assessor will call for reported head counts At least one head count reported must meet the relative shill be the set of the		For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1. Plan or Policy should describe what the programs plan is to reduce the teacher:child ratio.		
	Reported head counts			adult: child ratios and group size as outlined by criteria		Policy can be a pre-existing policy created by the program.		
4.3c		-		-		o One (1) child under 24 months up to One		
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	implementation for Large Famil	ly Child Car	e Homes: Ten (1	0) children and two (2) caregivers, 2	2nd caregiver required when six (6) or mo	re children are in care.		
	 Written plan with timeline OR Written policy OR Documented ratio plan AND Reported head counts 	6	QRIS Upload, Assessor report	 Same as 4.3a Written plan must describe a staffing pattern that explains how the program would maintain adult: child ratios as outlined by criteria Assessor will call for reported head counts All head counts must meet ratio and group size standards aligned with criteria 	6 points maximum for 4.3a - 4.3c	For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1. Plan or Policy should describe what the programs plan is to reduce the teacher:child ratio, meet or maintain adult:child ratio recommendations described in 4.3b or 4.3c. Policy can be a pre-existing policy created by the program.		
Observ	vational Assessment of Program							
4.4a	The program has created a Quality Improvement Plan from a self-assessment using an assessment tool in addition to the FCCERS.							





	Quality Improvement Plan	1	QRIS Upload	QIP incorporates goals referencing the self- assessment (ref 4.4b)	The L2 Self-Assessment cannot be used to meet these indicators (4.4a & b)	Assessments can be one that is created by the program.
4.4b	The program has score sheets f	rom their s	elf-assessment.			
•	Self-Assessment Score sheets	1	QRIS Upload	 Classroom Observation sheets (CLASS) (Summary score sheet will not be accepted) Score sheets/summary (Self-assessment examples could include: BAS, Strengthening Families Assessment, TPOT-Pyramid Plus, and any internally created assessment that measures quality) 	Assessments completed by external partners are not considered "self- assessments." Documentation must reflect the program's name and the name/s of the observer/s	Assessments can be one that is created by the program. Assessments must be done by a person who works directly within the program.
4.5a	The program has had a reliable scores: Emotional Support: 4.5	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		•	sment in the previous 24 months in at lea	st 50% of classrooms with average minimum
	Scores: Emotional Support: 4.5	2, or	Observation: 4.: QRIS Upload	 Descriptional Support: 2.0. Observer's Certified CLASS Pre-K Observer documentation issued by Teachstone. Observation sheets show 4 observation cycles completed CLASS assessment completed within the past 24 months with the following average scores: Emotional Support 4.5, 	 *FCCH with enrolled PRESCHOOLERS ONLY Observer documentation not required for assessments conducted by reliable Pre-K CLASS assessor/s employed by Clayton Early Learning. Summary score sheet will not be accepted 	Score sheets (CLASS Observation Sheets) for the Family Child Care Home that show 4 observation cycles must be submitted. Points will not be awarded if only the Summary page is submitted. CLASS observer must have a current CLASS certification card. A current list of certified observers can be found at http://teachstone.com/services/class- observer-directory/



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				Classroom Organization 4.5, and Instructional Support 2.0.		
4.5b	The program has had a reliable scores: Emotional Support: 5.5	•	-	•	sment in the previous 24 months in at lea	st 50% of classrooms with average minimum
	 Observation sheets AND Copy of observer's current Certified CLASS Observer documentation 	4, or	QRIS Upload	 Observer's Certified CLASS Pre-K Observer documentation issued by Teachstone. Observation sheets show 4 observation cycles completed CLASS assessments completed within the past 24 months with the following average scores: Emotional Support 5.5, Classroom Organization 5.0, Instructional Support 2.5. 	 *FCCH with enrolled PRESCHOOLERS ONLY Observer documentation not required for assessments conducted by reliable Pre-K CLASS assessor/s employed by Clayton Early Learning. Summary score sheet will not be accepted 	Score sheets (CLASS Observation Sheets) for the Family Child Care Home that show 4 observation cycles must be submitted. Points will not be awarded if only the Summary page is submitted. CLASS observer must have a current CLASS certification card. A current list of certified observers can be found at http://teachstone.com/services/class- observer-directory/
4.5c		•		-	sment in the previous 24 months with ave	erage minimum scores: Emotional Support:
	6.0 Classroom Observation: 6.0	6	QRIS Upload	 Observer's Certified CLASS Pre-K Observer documentation issued by Teachstone. Observation sheets show 4 observation cycles completed CLASS assessment completed within the 	*FCCH with enrolled PRESCHOOLERS ONLY Observer documentation not required for assessments conducted by reliable Pre-K CLASS assessor/s employed by Clayton Early Learning. Summary score sheet will not be accepted	Score sheets (CLASS Observation Sheets) for the Family Child Care Home that show 4 observation cycles must be submitted. Points will not be awarded if only the Summary page is submitted. CLASS observer must have a current CLASS certification card. A current list of certified observers can be found at http://teachstone.com/services/class- observer-directory/





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				following average scores: Emotional Support 6.0, Classroom Organization 6.0, Instructional Support 3.0	6 points maximum for 4.5a - 4.5c	
	Assessment				in a suid Development Cuidelines	
4.6	Completed CO Shines Curriculum/Assessme nt Crosswalk document OR Other assessment documentation	2	n that has been QRIS Upload	aligned with Colorado's Early Learn Assessment documentation must clearly address all learning domains included in the CO Early Learning & Development Guidelines.	ing and Development Guidelines.	CO Early Learning & Development Guidelines. http://earlylearningco.org/pdf/ELDG_Guid elines_English.pdf Assessments can be program created.
4.7 a		hild assessr	ments (e.g., obso	ervation data, portfolios, work samp	ples) are conducted within 90 calendar da	ys after enrollment, and one other within a
	Child assessment samples	1	QRIS Upload	Assessment samples from each age group that demonstrate assessments occurred at least twice in the last 24 months. Assessment samples submitted for 4.7 must align with Colorado's Early Learning and Development Guidelines for each age group served.	Child names can be blocked out; aggregate data reports accepted Clearly indicate age groups Age groups include: Infant (if applicable) Toddler (if applicable) Preschool (if applicable)	CO Early Learning & Development Guidelines. http://earlylearningco.org/pdf/ELDG_Guide lines_English.pdf Assessments can be provider created.
4.7b	Results of assessments are shar	ed during p	oarent/teacher o	conferences in a culturally and lingu	istically appropriate manner.	
	Parent/Provider conference documentation	1	QRIS Upload	Parent/conference documentation must reference assessment results. Ex. Log, summary, or	Child/Family names can be blocked out	Parent/Teacher conference documentation must show that child assessment results were discussed and verified by families. (EX. Parent/ Teacher Conference summary with Parent signature)





4.8		ntation that 2	t they have rece QRIS Upload	acknowledgment form signed by parent/family ived training on assessment within t	the past 24 months.	
	Training certificates	2		Training certificate reflecting the Provider's name as the participant.		
4.9	Assessment results are used to	individualia	ze curriculum ar	nd lesson planning.		
	 Lesson plans submitted for 4.1 AND Assessment samples submitted for 4.7 (if connected) OR Other program documentation 	2	QRIS Upload	 Lesson plans submitted for 4.1 and Assessment samples submitted for 4.7 must correspond by reflecting activities directly related to assessment results. Assessment samples submitted for 4.7 must align with Colorado's Early Learning and Development Guidelines for each age group served. Documentation submitted must demonstrate how assessment results are used to inform curriculum and lesson planning 	Clearly indicate age groups Age groups include: Infant (if applicable) Toddler (if applicable) Preschool/PreK (if applicable)	Aggregate Data is acceptable. Must see a direct correlation between the assessments and the lesson plans





Notes or Action S	iteps:			
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V. Child Health **Possible Points Earned – 14** Estimated Points Anticipated: **Child Health Promotion** The program documents that each child has received a hearing, vision and dental screening. 5.1a **QRIS** Upload Documentation must include 3 For Written Policies/Procedures: Please 1 Written policy **OR** Policy describing refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1. screening types: screening and/or ____ Forms used Hearing tracking processes OR To receive credit for this indicator, the forms used that include program must show that they address screening dates or hearing, vision and dental screening. ___ Dental confirmation of services The program provides resources for families on where to obtain the screenings. 5.1b 2 **QRIS** Upload Documentation must include resources To receive credit for this indicator. the Resource lists Resource lists shared for 3 service types with their contact program must show that they address with families that include hearing, vision and dental screening. and location information: places that conduct the Hearing relevant screenings Vision 🗌 Dental The program documents that each child has medical insurance and a medical home. 5.2a "medical home" = primary care/non-For Written Policies/Procedures: Please **QRIS** Upload 1 Written policy **OR** Policy related to ensuring emergency services with child's refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1. children have medical ____ Forms used records on file insurance and a medical Points are awarded if documentation home or forms used shows that the child's medical insurance include information information and medical home have been asked of the families. Programs are not responsible for providing insurance and a medical home. 5.2b The program provides resources for families to obtain medical insurance and medical home. **QRIS** Upload **Resources should include where families** 1 Resource lists Resource lists shared can get screenings, medical care, and with families that include medical insurance. places that offer information on obtaining





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			health coverage and potential medical homes		
The program makes a referral o	r provides	referral informa	tion to the family as appropriate fo	r any child for whom a developmental co	ncern has been identified.
Written policy	2	QRIS Upload	Policy describing referral practices and procedures based on the screening results.	Policy should outline the general steps taken to make a referral	For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1.
The program has a one-time cer	tified play	ground inspection	on conducted.		
 Certified Playground Safety Inspection (CPSI) certificate OR CPSI audit form OR CPSI audit report AND Copy of Inspector's Certification Card issued through the National Recreation and Parks Association 	1	QRIS Upload	 CPSI certificate CPSI audit form CPSI audit report Copy of Inspector's Certification Card issued through the National Recreation and Parks Association 	CPSI must match current play space configuration and equipment Certified Inspectors may be found online here – National Recreation and Park Association's CPSI Registry	For a current list of Certified Playground Safety Inspector go to <u>http://apps.nrpa.org/CPSI_Registry/</u>
A playground quality improvem	ent plan is	created based o	on the results and progress is monit	ored annually.	
Related Quality Improvement Plan (QIP)	1	QRIS Upload	Related QIP reflects recommendations from the inspection within the next 24 months		Goals in the QIP must reflect the recommendations from the Certified Playground Safety Inspection. (Checklist received from inspection)
Provider leads children in struct	ured physi	ical activities dai	ly. (Once in a 3 hour or less time pe	riod; twice in a 5 hour or more time perio	d).
 Program schedule OR Lesson plans 	1	QRIS Upload	Daily schedules and/or lesson plans showing structured physical activities At least once daily for programs operating fewer than 5 hours per day	"Structured physical activity" = Provider-led activity (outside free choice or gross motor time are not considered "Provider-led.") Age groups include: Infant (if applicable) Toddler (if applicable)	Program schedule should describe or show direct correlation with the lesson plan to show how provider leads children in structured physical activity daily. Credit will not be given if activity is shown as only "recess" or "outdoor play".
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				At least twice daily for programs operating for 5 hours or more per day.	Preschool (if applicable) Clearly indicate age groups	Must show evidence for each age group served.
5. 6a	Program offers nutrition inform			ams, annually, led by nutritionist or	registered dietician as indicated by the in	
	 Business card from Nutrition Educator or Dietician OR Trainer's Certificate OR Diploma OR Transcripts in content area 	1	QRIS Upload	 Must have a business card or trainer cert. for Nutritionist or Dietician that led programming Diploma/transcripts would be in a food-related field with at least 15 credits in nutrition, dietetics, or similar coursework 	Identified trainer from 5.6a must be related to the documentation provided for 5.6b	Train the trainer certificates can be accepted if through a reportable organization.(Ex. Cooking Matters)
5.6b	The program provides documer	ntation that	t the nutrition p	rograms have been conducted.		
	Sign-in sheets OR	1	QRIS Upload	Sign-in sheets or flyers related at least one event occurring within the past 24 months.	Conducted for families and/or staff Documentation must specify event name and date, including the year Must be led by the Individual/s related to the documentation submitted for 5.6a	
5.7a	The program is observed to have	e a garden	with fruits/vege	etables.		
	Scored based on evidence for 5.7b	1	N/A			
5.7b	The program has a garden and s			m the garden for children to taste.		
	Photographs AND Written description	1	QRIS Upload	At least one photograph that makes the location of the garden easily identifiable		





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Notes or Action Steps:		





Possible Points Earned – 12 Estimated Points Anticipated:

Home Language

6.1	The program honors the child' second language in the home.	program honors the child's home language and encourages home language development by having at least one Caregiver/Provider in who is bilingual if there is a dominant and language in the home.					
	U Written policy	2	QRIS Upload	Written policy must clearly explain that a bilingual caregiver is provided if there is a dominant second language in the program.	Bilingual caregiver must be fluent in the dominant second language represented Dominant second language is defined as 50% or more of children present in the program	For Written Policies/Procedures: Please refer to Clarifications notes in Indicator 2.1. If program does not serve children with a predominant second language in the classroom, the policy can be written to the context of "if "the program did serve this population what would the policy be, to receive credit.	
-	ional Professional Staff						
6.2					ram professional personnel: Child Care He nator, program manager and/or Coach, S	ealth Consultant, Mental Health Consultant, pecial Education Staff or Nutritionist.	
	One of the following: Contract OR Memorandum of understanding OR Other signed agreement	2	QRIS Upload	Signed agreements must be for the services of a Child Care Health Consultant, Mental Health Consultant; Family Services Support Staff, Professional Development Coordinator, Early Childhood Coordinator, Program Manager, Special Education staff, or Nutritionist and include their signature or the signature of a representative of their employer.	Agreements must indicate the dates/timeframe of the agreement or be signed and dated within the last 24 months.	"Daily Service Contract" is defined as a contract with an entity or individual who is available on a daily basis if the program needs their services. Contracts directly with the local Early Childhood Council should be for services above or beyond typical services provided through State Quality Initiatives.	





Director, shared service provider or alliance.

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One of the following: Agreements must indicate the Contracts need to have been signed and 2 **QRIS** Upload Signed agreements must dates/timeframe of the agreement or dated within the last 24 months. Contract OR be for the services of a be signed and dated within the last 24 Business Manager, ____ Memorandum of months. Accountant, Human understanding OR Resources professional, ___ Other signed or shared Services agreement (e.g. job Provider/Alliance, and description with include their signature or employee's signature the signature of a and date) representative of their employer. **Professional Leadership** 6.4 The Provider actively participates in a community leadership role with their local early childhood council or another early childhood organization; which may include participation on a formal committee, serving as a board member, presenting at an early childhood conference, or acting in a leadership role for an early childhood association. One of the following: 2 **QRIS** Upload Rosters, invitations, ____ Roster **OR** and/or any other documentation from an Invitation **OR** organization Other documentation representative showing reflecting leadership the leadership role of the role Provider. **CLASS Assessments Infant/Toddler** The program has had a reliable, independent, trained observer complete an infant CLASS Assessment in the previous 24 months. 6.5 2 **QRIS** Upload FCCH with enrolled infants Points will not be awarded if only the Observation sheets Observer's Certified Summary page is submitted. AND **CLASS Infant Observer** Observer documentation not required documentation issued by Copy of observer's for assessments conducted by reliable **CLASS observer must have a current CLASS** Teachstone. current Certified Toddler CLASS assessor/s employed by certification card. A current list of certified Observation sheets **CLASS Observer** Clayton Early Learning. observers can be found at documentation showing 4 observation http://teachstone.com/services/classcycles complete (6 total Summary score sheet will not be observer-directory/ cycles if alternating accepted

The program employs or maintains a service contract with one or more of the following administrative professional personnel: Business Manager, Accountant, Human Resources





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				between the CLASS Infant and CLASS Toddler tools). CLASS assessments completed within the past 24 months.		
6.6	The program has had a reliable,	, independ	ent, trained obse	erver complete a Toddler CLASS Ass	essment in the previous 24 months.	
	 Observation sheets AND Copy of observer's current Certified CLASS Observer documentation 	2	QRIS Upload	 Observer's Certified CLASS Toddler Observer documentation issued by Teachstone. Observation sheets showing 4 observation cycles complete (6 total cycles if alternating between the CLASS Infant and CLASS Toddler tools). CLASS assessment completed within the past 24 months. 	FCCH with enrolled toddlers Observer documentation not required for assessments conducted by reliable Toddler CLASS assessor/s employed by Clayton Early Learning. Summary score sheet will not be accepted	Points will not be awarded if only the Summary page is submitted. CLASS observer must have a current CLASS certification card. A current list of certified observers can be found at http://teachstone.com/services/class- observer-directory/
<u>Note</u>	es or Action Steps:		·····			





Level 3-5 Evidence Guide for Family Child Care Homes Score Sheet

	Standards	Possible Points	Total Points
Ι.	Workforce Qualifications and Professional Development	11	
н.	Family Partnerships	21	
III .	Leadership, Management and Administration	6	
IV.	Learning Environment	27	
٧.	Child Health	14	
VI.	Optional (6 points max. awarded. Only 2 points can be added to any 1 area.)	12	
		Total Points	

Family Child Care Home Point Structure

Categories	Total Possible Points	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
1. Workforce Qualifications and Professional	11	3	5	7
2. Family Partnerships	21	8	10	14
3. Leadership, Management & Administration	6	3	4	5
4. Learning Environment	27	6	9	16
5. Child Health	14	5	7	8
6. Optional available points:	12			
Minimum requirement for Rating		25	35	50
Environment Rating Score		At least 3.75	At least 4.75	At least 5.75

