Teachers', Child Care Providers' and Administrators' Survey

This is a survey for teachers, child care providers, administrators and other staff who work in an early child care and education program prior to kindergarten. **Your responses will help to guide efforts to improve services and results for children, and families.** For each statement below, please select one of the following response choices: strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree, or I don't know. In responding to each statement, think about your experience with the program where you work. Your responses are strictly confidential and anonymous. Thank you for your cooperation in completing this form.

The early child care and education program where I work:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	I don't know
1. has qualified staff to teach children.	4	3	2	1	0
2. addresses the cognitive developmental needs of children.	4	3	2	1	0
3. addresses the social emotional developmental needs of children.	4	3	2	1	0
4. addresses the physical development needs of children.	4	3	2	1	0
5. addresses the language development needs of children.	4	3	2	1	0
6. uses developmentally appropriate activities to teach children.	4	3	2	1	0
7. uses activities that represent different cultures to teach children.	4	3	2	1	0
8. promotes the development of good nutrition and healthy habits in children.	4	3	2	1	0
9. provides a nurturing and healthy environment.	4	3	2	1	0
10. addresses the needs of children who are English Learners.	4	3	2	1	0
11. addresses the needs of children with special needs.	4	3	2	1	0
12. provides a safe and age-appropriate facility for working with children.	4	3	2	1	0
13. provides a safe and appropriate facility for working with children of different abilities.	4	3	2	1	0
14. provides a variety of educational materials to support children's learning.	4	3	2	1	0
15. communicates with families about their children's progress and areas of development.	4	3	2	1	0
16. provides materials and information to families in a language they can understand.	4	3	2	1	0
17. provides families with information about what to expect in their child's next early childhood program or in kindergarten.	4	3	2	1	0
18. provides families with information about what they need to do to register for their child's next early childhood program or kindergarten.	4	3	2	1	0
19. provides children with the skills they need to succeed in kindergarten upon exiting the program.	4	3	2	1	0
20. provides families with opportunities to learn how to support child development at home.	4	3	2	1	0
21. provides families with opportunities to connect to other organizations that provide support to families.	4	3	2	1	0
22. is enrolled in Maryland EXCELS, the state's quality rating and improvement system or is accredited by the Maryland State Department of Education.	4	3	2	1	0

In the jurisdiction where I work:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	I don't know
23. there are many early child care and education programs for children under the age 3.	4	3	2	1	0
24. there are many early child care and education programs for children between the ages of 3-5.	4	3	2	1	0
25. the early child care and education programs available are affordable.	4	3	2	1	0
26. the early child care and education programs have convenient hours for families.	4	3	2	1	0
27. the early child care and education programs are of high quality.	4	3	2	1	0
28. the early child care and education programs have waiting lists of parents hoping to access services.	4	3	2	1	0
29. I am aware of home visiting services in the community.	4	3	2	1	0
30. there are enough home visiting programs to meet the needs of families in the community.	4	3	2	1	0
31. there are enough resources in the community to meet the needs of families and children (housing, food, medical, and supplemental services).	4	3	2	1	0
32. there are sufficient health resources and health professionals in the community to meet everyone's needs.	4	3	2	1	0

29. Which of the following are the most important reasons families choose an early care and education program? (circle up to three choices):

cost	state accreditation	distance from home or work	EXCELS rating	physical space (cleanliness and/or square footage)
administration	friends with a child at the center	hours of operation	teacher quality	other:

Demographics

1. **Please circle the response which best describes your role:**

Family child care provider	Teacher/care giver at a private child care center	Teacher at a public child care center	Administrator at a private child care center	Administrator at a public child care center	Home Visiting program provider

Other:_____

2. **Please circle the highest level of education that you completed:**

Less than high school diploma	High school diploma or GED	Associate's degree or some college	Bachelor's degree	Master's degree	Doctorate or professional degree

Other:_____

3. **Please circle the county in which the early child care and education program where you work is located:**

Allegany County	Anne Arundel County	Baltimore City	Baltimore County	Calvert County	Caroline County
Carroll County	Cecil County	Charles County	Dorchester County	Frederick County	Garrett County
Harford County	Howard County	Kent County	Montgomery County	Prince George's County	Queen Anne's County
St. Mary's County	Somerset County	Talbot County	Washington County	Wicomico County	Worcester County

4. **Approximately how many children are enrolled in your early care and education program?**

Ages under 3 _____   Ages between 3 and 5_____

5. **Is there anything else you want to share with us about the needs of families and children in your community?**

Thank you for your participation!

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