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- Providing information to programs and groups about Maryland EXCELS;
- Engaging local organizations such as Judy Centers, Child Care Resource Centers, and other local groups;
- Identifying programs that may be ready to move into EXCELS, including accredited programs, and helping to familiarize them with the standards and the online process;
- Providing technical assistance, on-site consultation, and support; and
- Conducting monitoring visits to Maryland EXCELS programs.

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