

Subject: Opportunity for Programs

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Dear Director,

Utah Office of Child Care will soon launch the Child Care Quality System. We are extending the opportunity for any program that has not already received early rating or pilot observations to serve as a practice site for Office of Child Care approved observers. Each year the state anchors at Office of Child Care must be retested with the Environment Rating Scales Institute trainers to assure reliability on the Infant Toddler and Early Childhood Environment Rating Scales-3 (ITERS-3 and ECERS-3). This year testing for the ITERS-3 tool is scheduled to take place the week of September 9-12. Testing for the ECERS-3 tool is the week of May 4, 2020. Staff will need sites to practice prior to the testers coming, as well as the week of the actual testing.



Additionally, the Office of Child Care frequently needs sites to train new Quality Improvement Specialists to reliability. For both of these purposes, we are extending the opportunity to programs that have not yet had an early rating or pilot observation to receive observations in their programs. These observations would also benefit the program by providing valuable feedback to assist them in their individual quality improvement efforts. The observations would be scheduled in advance. They would not, however, count as official observations for the Child Care Quality System.

If you are interested in becoming a practice site, please email ccqs@utah.gov your program's name, address, the name of the person that should be contacted and the preferred phone number. Your program will be added to a list used for the purposes outlined above.

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