

Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Best Practices Checklist

Staff Member: _____

Date of Observation: _____

Note: *The term “children” is used throughout this checklist to refer to any individual between the ages of 6 weeks and 12 years of age.

Staff member never does this or does not seem aware of the practice.

Staff member always does this.

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Staff member lists the signs of child abuse and neglect relevant to the age children with whom they work.					
Staff member lists the signs of child abuse or neglect in child development programs.					
Staff member protects themselves from allegations of child abuse or neglect (is never alone with a child, etc.).					
Staff member describes the importance of environmental features that prevent allegations of abuse (vision panels, closed circuit cameras, etc.)					
Staff member has a copy of the program’s guidance, discipline and touch policy and uses appropriate procedures.					
Staff member provides resources to families with the goal of preventing abuse and neglect.					
Staff member describes the procedures for reporting child abuse or neglect in the workplace or community.					
Staff member follows procedures when he or she suspects abuse or neglect.					
Staff member is aware of child abuse and neglect training requirements for your program and completes all necessary training.					

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