



Child Care Quality System (CCQS) Quality Observation Award

Goal:

Award child care programs for achieving high quality observation scores.

Eligibility:

- Licensed Center and Family Child Care Programs
- Received a CCQS Emerging Quality rating or higher
- Received high quality scores in one or more observations conducted for the purpose of the certified quality rating, as follows:

Centers:

- An average score of 4 or higher, in all subscales, on the current Environmental Rating Scale (ERS) observation.

- A score of at least 4 points on a School Age Program Quality Assessment (SAPQA) observation.

Family:

- An average score of 3.67 or higher on a FCCERS-3 observation; and
- A score of 4 or higher in both the Language and Books and the Interactions subscales (FCCERS).

Quality Observation Award Plan:

- Eligible programs will be notified of this opportunity at the beginning of their certified quality rating period.
- Award is a set amount for each time in which a high quality observation score is achieved.



Observation Tool	Quality Observation Award per high quality classroom observation
Infant Toddler Environment Rating Scale (ITERS)	\$2,500
Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale (ECERS)	\$1,500
School Age Program Quality Assessment (SAPQA)	\$500
Family Child Care Environment Rating Scale (FCCERS)	\$1000 (maximum of two observations)

- Award amounts are issued once per year.