

BRIGHTSTARS PILOT TEST: FAMILY CHILD CARE

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Purpose

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- Pilot test BrightStars framework in child care centers, family child care homes, and school-age programs
- Revise criteria & procedures, as needed

Note: Collaborative partnership among RIAEYC, Rhode Island KIDS COUNT, & FPG

Measurement

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- Levels of Evidence
 - ▣ Observation
 - ▣ Review of existing documents
 - ▣ Self-report
- Measured 26 standards
 - ▣ 46 different things
- Data collection tools
 - ▣ Document review, facility checklist, provider q'aire, qualifications & PD forms, licensing data

Family Child Care Pilot Sample (N = 25)

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- Response rate of 30%
 - ▣ Sampled 120 programs in order to reach goal of 25
 - ▣ Of 84 that were eligible, 25 agreed
- Sample Description
 - ▣ Multiple Counties (Providence, Kent, & Washington)

FCC Pilot Sample (continued)

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▣ Capacity

- 20% capacity of 5 or fewer children
- 20% capacity of 6 children
- 60% capacity of 8 children

▣ Enrollment

- 60% enrolled 1-5 children
- 36% enrolled 6-10 children
- 4% enrolled > 10 children

FCC Pilot Sample (continued)

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- ▣ 0% were NAFCC-accredited
- ▣ 64% served infants
- ▣ 84% served preschoolers
- ▣ 72% served school age
- ▣ 96% accepted subsidies
 - 16% served 0 subsidized children
 - 16% served < 50% subsidized children
 - 28% served 50 < 100% subsidized children
 - 36% served 100% subsidized children

Highlight of Findings

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- 56% reported offering parent conferences twice a year
- 28% reported gathering child info to support learning
- 60% reported having a written contract w/ families
- 60% reported highest education as a GED/HS diploma
- 4% reported highest education as an AA degree

Detailed Findings

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- Review framework handout

Considerations

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- Adjust framework to improve the distribution of likely star ratings
- Consider consistency across frameworks
 - ▣ Expectations \sim quality
 - ▣ National Accreditation
- Recognize that providers have to
 - ▣ 1) know what's expected in BrightStars
 - ▣ 2) have time to meet the criteria
 - ▣ 3) be motivated to participate in BrightStars