



Stepping Stones to Using Caring for Our Children, 2nd Ed. Compliance/Comparison Checklist

Suggestions for Use:

- By licensing staff that want to compare Stepping Stones Standards to the subject areas covered in their state regulations and determine where there are gaps and regulations should be added.
- By child care providers who want to be sure they are complying with standards that have the most effect of preventing harm in their settings.
- By parents who want to be sure their child care facility is complying with these important standards
- By child care health consultants and trainers when assessing what topics need to be covered when consulting or training child care staff

Standard Number	Description of Standard	Compliance/Comparison	
		Yes	No
Chapter I - Staffing			
1.001	Ratios For Small Family Child Care Homes		
1.002	Ratios For Large Family Child Care Homes And Centers		
1.003	Ratios For Facilities Serving Children With Special Health Needs		
1.004	Ratios During Transportation		
1.005	Ratios For Wading And Swimming		
1.008	References And Background Checks		
1.009	Preservice And Ongoing Staff Training		
1.010	Additional Qualifications For Caregivers Serving Children Birth To 35 Months Of Age		
1.011	Additional Qualifications For Caregivers Serving Children 3 To 5 Years Of Age		
1.012	Additional Qualifications For Caregivers Serving School-age Children		
1.017	Qualifications Of Education Coordinators, Lead Teachers, And Teachers		
1.023	Initial Orientation Of All Staff		
1.024	Orientation For Care Of Children With Special Health Needs		
1.026	First Aid Training For Staff		
1.027	Topics Covered In First Aid Training		
1.028	Cpr Training For Swimming And Wading		
1.029	Continuing Education For Directors And Caregivers In Centers And Large Family Child Care Homes		
1.030	Continuing Education For Small Family Child Care Home Providers		
1.031	Training Of Staff Who Handle Food		
1.032	Child Abuse Education		
1.033	Training On Occupational Risk Related To Handling Body Fluids		
1.037	Employment Of Substitutes		

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		Yes	No
1.039	Orientation For Substitutes For Small Family Child Care Homes		
1.040	Use Of Child Care Health Consultants		
1.041	Knowledge And Skills Of Child Care Health Consultants		
1.043	Frequency Of Child Care Health Consultation Visits		
1.045	Preemployment And Ongoing Adult Health Appraisals, Including Immunization		
1.046	Daily Staff Health Assessment		
1.048	Occupational Hazards		
Chapter 2 - Program: Activities for Healthy Development			
2.006	Communication In Native Language		
2.009	Playing Outdoors		
2.010	Personal Caregiver Relationships For Infants And Toddlers		
2.011	Interactions With Infants And Toddlers		
2.012	Space And Activity To Support Learning Of Infants And Toddlers		
2.014	Personal Caregiver Relationships For 3- To 5-year-olds		
2.015	Opportunities For Learning For 3- To 5-year-olds		
2.018	Fostering Cooperation Of 3- To 5-year-olds		
2.028	Methods Of Supervision		
2.029	Competence And Training Of Transportation Staff		
2.030	Qualifications For Drivers		
2.033	Vehicle Safety Restraints		
2.038	Emergency Supplies For Field Trips		
2.039	Discipline Measures		
2.042	Prohibited Caregiver Behaviors		
2.043	Using Physical Restraint		
2.044	Mutual Responsibility Of Parents And Staff		
2.046	Parent Visits		
2.047	Parent Conferences		
2.054	Parents' Information On Their Child's Health And Behavior		
Chapter 3 - Health Promotion and Protection in Child Care			
3.001	Conduct Of Daily Health Check		
3.006	Under-immunized Children		
3.008	Scheduled Rest Periods And Sleep Arrangements		
3.010	Routine Oral Hygiene Activities		
3.011	Oral Health Education		
3.012	Type Of Diapers		
3.014	Diaper Change Procedure		
3.020	Situations That Require Handwashing		
3.021	Handwashing Procedure		
3.022	Assisting Children With Handwashing		
3.024	Procedure For Nasal Secretions		

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3.026	Prevention Of Exposure To Blood And Bodily Fluids		
3.027	Feeding Of Human Milk To Another Mother's Child		
3.028	Routine Frequency Of Cleaning And Sanitation		
3.029	Potty Chairs		
3.031	Rags And Disposable Towels Used For Cleaning		
3.036	Use Of Toys That Can Be Washed And Sanitized		
3.037	Objects Intended For The Mouth		
3.038	Routine Checks Of Play Equipment		
3.041	Tobacco Use And Prohibited Substances		
3.045	Supervision Near Bodies Of Water		
3.048	Emergency Procedures		
3.049	Written Plan For Medical Emergency		
3.053	Reporting Suspected Child Abuse, Neglect, Exploitation		
3.055	Immunity Of Reporters Of Child Abuse From Sanction		
3.059	Facility Layout To Reduce Risk Of Abuse		
3.060	Seizure Care Plan		
3.061	Training For Staff To Handle Seizures		
3.062	Management Of Children With Asthma		
3.063	Caring For Children Who Require Medical Procedures		
3.065	Inclusion/Exclusion/Dismissal Of Children		
3.067	Outbreak Control		
3.069	Staff Exclusion For Illness		
3.070	Space Requirements For Care Of Ill Children		
3.078	Inclusion And Exclusion Of Children From Facilities That Serve Ill Children		
3.081	Permissible Administration Of Medication		
3.082	Labeling And Storage Of Medications		
3.083	Training Of Caregivers To Administer Medication		
3.086	Notification Of The Facility About Communicable Disease Or Other Problems By Parents		
3.088	Written Policy For Reporting Illness To The Health Department		
3.089	Death (Sids And Other)		
Chapter 4 - Nutrition and Food Service			
4.006	Availability Of Drinking Water		
4.008	Written Menus, Introduction Of New Foods		
4.009	Feeding Plans		
4.010	Care For Children With Food Allergies		
4.014	Techniques For Bottle Feeding		
4.015	Feeding Human Milk		
4.017	Preparation And Handling Of Bottle Feeding		
4.018	Warming Bottles And Infant Foods		

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4.034	Hot Liquids And Foods		
4.036	Location Of The Adult Supervising Children Feeding Themselves		
4.037	Food That Are Choking Hazards		
4.038	Progression Of Experiences With Food Textures		
4.039	Prohibited Uses Of Food		
4.042	Food Preparation Area		
4.044	Maintenance Of Food Service Surfaces And Equipment		
4.051	Staff Restricted From Food Handling		
4.052	Precautions For A Safe Food Supply		
4.058	Supply Of Food And Water For Disasters		
4.060	Storage Of Cleaning Agents Separate From Food		
Chapter 5 - Facilities, Supplies, Equipment, and Transportation			
5.002	Inspection Of Buildings		
5.003	Compliance With Fire Prevention Code		
5.004	Accessibility Of Facility		
5.005	Site Location Free From Hazards		
5.014	Possibility Of Exit From Windows		
5.017	Finger-pinch Protection Devices		
5.020	Alternate Exits And Emergency Shelter		
5.021	Evacuation Of Children With Disabilities		
5.022	Path Of Egress		
5.023	Locks		
5.024	Labeled Emergency Exits		
5.028	Indoor Temperature And Air Exchange		
5.030	Electric Fans		
5.034	Gas, Oil Or Kerosene Heaters, Portable Gas Stoves And Charcoal Grills		
5.037	Protective Screen For Heating Equipment		
5.038	Fireplaces		
5.039	Barriers/guards For Heating Units		
5.047	Electrical Service		
5.048	Safety Covers And Shock Protection Devices For Electrical Outlets		
5.050	Location Of Electrical Devices Near Water		
5.053	Smoke Detection Systems		
5.055	Water Supply		
5.057	Cross-connections		
5.060	Handwashing Sink Using Portable Water Supply		
5.061	Testing For Lead Levels In Drinking Water		
5.064	Sewage Facilities		
5.067	Containment Of Soiled Diapers		
5.068	Labeling, Cleaning And Disposal Of Waste And Diaper Containers		

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5.069	Storage And Disposal Of Infectious And Toxic Wastes		
5.070	Control Of Animal Waste And Pests		
5.073	Type And Use Of Pesticides And Herbicides		
5.075	Safety Of Equipment, Materials And Furnishings		
5.083	Baby Walkers		
5.084	Availability Of A Telephone		
5.085	Play Equipment Requirements		
5.087	Inaccessibility Of Toys Or Objects To Children Under Years Of Age		
5.089	Balloons		
5.093	First Aid Kits		
5.100	Use And Storage Of Toxic Substances		
5.101	Use Of A Poison Control Center		
5.102	Informing Staff Regarding Presence Of Toxic Substances		
5.104	Preventing Exposure To Asbestos Or Other Friable Materials		
5.106	Prohibition Of Poisonous Substances And Plants		
5.110	Testing For Lead		
5.111	Construction And Remodeling During Hours Of Operation		
5.112	Space Required Per Child		
5.117	Location Of Toilets		
5.126	Handwashing Sinks		
5.129	Diaper Changing Tables		
5.132	Location And Setup Of Diaper Changing Areas		
5.145	Cribs		
5.146	Infant Sleeping Position Equipment And Supplies		
5.157	Inaccessibility Matches And Lighters		
5.158	Storage Of Flammable Materials		
5.159	Storage Of Plastic Bags		
5.160	Inaccessibility Of Strings And Cords		
5.161	Firearms		
5.165	Rooftops As Play Areas		
5.166	Elevated Play Areas		
5.167	Location Of Satellite Dishes		
5.173	Shading Of Metal Outdoor Play Equipment		
5.179	Hazardous Chemicals In The Soil Of Play Areas		
5.183	Prohibited Surfaces For Placing Climbing Equipment		
5.184	Enclosure Of Moving Parts On Play Equipment		
5.186	Entrapment Hazards Of Play Equipment		
5.187	Play Equipment For Children With Disabilities		
5.194	Removal Of Hazards From Outdoor Areas		
5.195	Toxic Materials Used On Outdoor Play Equipment		
5.196	Inspection Of Play Area And Equipment		

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5.198	Enclosure Of Bodies Of Water		
5.199	Accessibility To Above-ground Pools		
5.208	Lifesaving Equipment		
5.209	Lifeline In Pool		
5.211	Hot Tubs, Spas, And Saunas		
5.217	Chlorine Pucks		
5.225	Stairway Guards		
5.236	Vehicle Child Restraint Systems		
5.242	Safety Helmets		
Chapter 6 - Infectious Disease			
6.003	Informing Public Health Authorities Of Hib Cases		
6.004	Immunization With S. Pneumoniae Conjugate Vaccine		
6.005	Informing Public Health Authorities Of Invasive S. Pneumoniae		
6.006	Informing Public Health Authorities Of Meningococcal Infections		
6.007	Health Department Recommendations On Antibiotics		
6.009	Informing Public Health Authorities Of Pertussis Cases		
6.014	Measures For Detection And Control Of Tuberculosis		
6.015	Attendance Of Children With Tuberculosis Infection		
6.016	Attendance Of Children With Erythema Infectiosum (Ei)		
6.018	Disease Recognition And Control Of Herpes Simplex Virus		
6.021	Staff Education And Policies On Cytomegalovirus (Cmv)		
6.025	Disease Surveillance Of Enteric (Diarrheal) And Hav Infections		
6.026	Maintenance Of Records On Incidents Of Diarrhea		
6.027	Disease Recognition And Control Of Hbv Infection		
6.029	Staff Education On Prevention Of Bloodborne Diseases		
6.032	Infection Control Measures With Hcv		
6.034	Protecting Hiv-infected Children And Adults In Child Care		
6.035	Staff Education About Preventing Transmission Of Hiv Infection		
6.037	Attendance Of Children With Scabies		
6.038	Attendance Of Children With Head Lice		
6.039	Attendance Of Children With Ringworm		
Chapter 7 - Children Who are Eligible for Services Under IDEA			
7.005	Formulation Of An Action Plan		
7.007	Designation And Role Of Staff Person Responsible For Coordinating Care		
7.016	Review Of Plan For Serving Children With Special Needs		
Chapter 8 - Administration			
8.001	Governing Body Of The Facility		
8.008	Content Of Written Discipline Policy		
8.009	Implementation Of Discipline Policy		

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8.011	Content And Development Of The Plan For Care Of Ill Children And Caregivers		
8.013	Written Procedure For Obtaining Preventive Health Service Information		
8.022	Written Plan And Training For Handling Urgent Medical Care Or Threatening Incidents		
8.024	Written Evacuation Plan		
8.026	Use Of Daily Roster During Drills		
8.027	Approval And Implementation Of Fire Evacuation Procedure		
8.028	Authorized Persons To Pick Up Child		
8.029	Policy On Actions To Be Followed When No Authorized Person Arrives To Pick Up A Child		
8.036	Infant Feeding Policies		
8.038	Policies Prohibiting Smoking, Tobacco, Alcohol, Illegal Drugs, And Toxic Substances		
8.046	Contents Of Child Records		
8.048	Contents Of Child's Health Report		
8.051	Contents Of Medication Record		
8.054	Written Policy On Confidentiality Of Records		
8.063	Documentation Of Death, Injury Or Illness		
8.065	Record Of Valid License, Certificate Or Registration Of Facility		
8.067	Written Plan To Resolve Deficiencies		
8.077	Public Posting Of Documents		
8.079	Requirements For Compliance Of Drop-in Care Facilities		

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