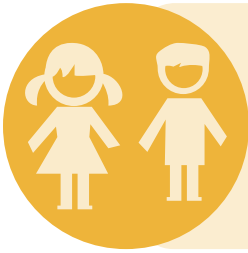


Child Care Quality System: Quality Observation Award



Goal:

Award child care programs for achieving high quality observation scores.



Eligibility:

- Licensed Center and Family Child Care Programs
- Received a CCQS Certified Quality Rating
- Received high quality scores in one or more observations conducted for the purpose of the certified quality rating, as follows:
 - ♦ An average score of 3.67 or higher on an ERS observation, with a minimum score of 4 on the Language and Books (ITERS and FCCERS)/ Language and Literacy (ECERS) subscale and a minimum score of 4 on the Interactions subscale;
 - ♦ A score of at least 3.5 points on an SAPQA observation if applicable

Quality Observation Award Plan:

- Eligible programs will be notified of this opportunity when their CCQS Certified Quality Rating is awarded.
- Eligible programs that complete an application by the last day of the program's certified rating period will receive a Quality Observation Award.
- 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 after the program's annual CCQS Certified Quality Rating is awarded.