

ABCs of Early Childhood in Iowa - Early Childhood Acronyms

Acronym	Name	Contact Information
AEA	Area Education Agency	http://www.iowaaea.org
CACFP	Child and Adult Care Food Program	http://www.iowa.gov/educate/content/view/365/904 http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Care/Default.htm
CCNC	Child Care Nurse Consultant (Healthy Child Care Iowa)	http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hcci/consultants.asp
CCR&R	Child Care Resource and Referral	http://iowaccrr.org 877-216-8481
CDA	Child Development Associate Credential	http://www.cdacouncil.org/cda_what.htm for local information contact CCR&R
CPSC	Consumer Product Safety Commission	http://cpsc.gov 800-638-2772
ECC	Every Child Counts	http://www.everychildcountsiowa.org everychildcounts@cfpciowa.org
ECERS-R	Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale – Revised	http://www.extension.iastate.edu/childcare/qrs http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~ecers
ECI	Early Childhood Iowa	http://www.state.ia.us/earlychildhood http://www.iowa.gov/educate/ecpd/ (Professional Dev)
ELS	Early Learning Standards (Iowa Departments of Education & Human Services)	http://www.iowa.gov/educate http://dhs.state.ia.us http://www.iowa.gov/educate/content/view/681/805/1/2
ERS	Environment Rating Scales	http://www.extension.iastate.edu/childcare/qrs http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~ecers
FCCERS-R	Family Child Care Environment Rating Scale – Revised	http://www.extension.iastate.edu/childcare/qrs http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~ecers
hawk-i	Healthy and Well Kids in Iowa	http://www.hawk-i.org
HCCI	Healthy Child Care Iowa (Iowa Department of Public Health)	http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hcci 800-369-2229
Iowa AEYC	Iowa Association for the Education of Young Children	http://www.iowaaeyc.org 515- 331-8000
IFCCA	Iowa Family Child Care Association	http://www.nccanet.org

Acronym	Name	Contact Information
ISACA	Iowa School Age Care Alliance	leslieglenn@msn.com see NAA for local affiliate information
ITERS-R	Infant/Toddler Environment Rating Scale – Revised	http://www.extension.iastate.edu/childcare/qrs http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~ecers
NAC	National Administrator Credential (National Child Care Association)	http://www.nccanet.org 800-543-7161 for local information contact CCR&R
NAEYC	National Association for the Education of Young Children	http://www.naeyc.org 800-424-2460
NAFCC	National Association For Family Child Care	http://www.nafcc.org 800-359-3817
NAA	National Afterschool Association	http://www.naaweb.org
NSO	New Staff Orientation	http://www.extension.iastate.edu/childcare/nso nso@iastate.edu
PAT	Parents As Teachers	http://www.parentsasteachers.org
PCAI	Prevent Child Abuse Iowa	http://www.pcaiowa.org
PITC	Program for Infant/Toddler Care (Child Care Resource & Referral)	http://pitc.org http://www.iowaccrr.org
QPPS	Quality Preschool Program Standards (Iowa Department of Education)	http://www.iowa.gov/educate http://www.iowa.gov/educate/content/view/681/805/1/2
QRS	Quality Rating System (Iowa Department of Human Services)	http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/iqrs
SACERS	School-Age Care Environment Rating Scale	http://www.extension.iastate.edu/childcare/qrs http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~ecers
T.E.A.C.H.	Teacher Education and Compensation Helps Early Childhood ® IOWA	http://www.iowaaeyc.org

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