

**HEALTH AND SAFETY MATRIX  
FOR INFANT & TODDLER SPECIALIST NETWORK**

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This matrix is based on VDSS (Virginia Department of Social Services) licensing staff’s observation of frequent and/or critical health and safety issues in regulated programs providing care to infants and toddlers. The first column contains references to standards for licensed child day centers. The items in the first column must be used for evaluating the effectiveness of training/technical assistance provided under Goal 1-A for religious exempt centers and family day homes that are not licensed; additional items for evaluation purposes may be added by the sub-grantee. The remaining columns provide relevant references that may be helpful to consider when providing training/technical assistance under Goal 1-A.

Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers – Virginia ( <a href="http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/index.html">www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/index.html</a> , click on “Child Day Centers” then “Applicable Regulations & Code References”)	Infant/Toddler Environment Rating Scale – Revised (draws from research, professional views and practical constraints – sources judged to be important conditions for positive outcome in children both while they are in the program and long afterwards, <a href="http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~ecers">www.fpg.unc.edu/~ecers</a> )	Family Child Care Environment Rating Scale – Revised Edition (draws from research, professional views and practical constraints – sources judged to be important conditions for positive outcome in children both while they are in the program and long afterwards, <a href="http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~ecers">www.fpg.unc.edu/~ecers</a> )
Child Record – Allergies (22 VAC 15-30-80 A 7)	11. Safety practices	12. Safety practices
Immunizations and Physical Examinations (22 VAC 15-30-150 through 170)		
Clean, Safe and Operable Condition (consider water hazards, 22 VAC 15-30-340 A)	11. Safety practices	12. Safety practices
Harmful Agents (consider antibacterial soap, 22 VAC 15-30-350 B & H)	11. Safety practices	12. Safety practices
Electrical Outlets (22 VAC 15-30-360 3)	11. Safety practices	12. Safety practices
Playground Area and Equipment (22 VAC 15-30-380 F and 22 VAC 15-30-461 5 b (3)). Note: separate playgrounds for infants and toddlers should only be applicable to center based programs.	16. Active physical play 29. Schedule 30. Free play	26. Active physical play 31. Schedule 32. Free play
Care and Protection (22 VAC 15-30-430 A)	25. Supervision of play and learning	27. Supervision of play and learning
Sleeping on Backs (22 VAC 15-30-461 1 a-c)	8. Nap 11. Safety practices	8. Nap/rest 12. Safety practices
Movement and Stomach Time (22 VAC 15-30-461 5 b, c & g)	8. Nap 16. Active Physical Play	4. Arrangement of indoor space for child care 8. Nap/rest 26. Active physical play
Providing Comfort (22 VAC 15-30-461 4 and 6)	12. Helping children understand language	13. Helping children understand language

	25. Supervision of play and learning 27. Staff-child interaction	27. Supervision of play and learning 28. Provider-child interaction
Disposable Items (consider the use of disposable gloves during diapering, 22 VAC 15-30-500 J)		
Infant Walkers (22 VAC 15-30-500)	11. Safety practices	12. Safety practices
Crib/Cots/Rest Mats/Beds - Hazards and Spacing (22 VAC 15-30-510 C, D, E, G, H, I & J). Note: the 30 inches of space between the service sides of occupied cribs and other furniture where that space is the walkway for staff to gain access to any occupied crib is not necessary for homes. Also, the bottom of a bunk bed may be used in homes if the child is 12 months or older and developmentally ready to use a bed.	8. Nap 11. Safety practices	8. Nap/rest 12. Safety practices
Sanitizing (22 VAC 15-30-570 E)	7. Meals/snacks 9. Diapering/toileting 10. Health practices	9. Meals/snacks 10. Diapering/toileting 11. Health practices
Handwashing (22 VAC 15-30-575 A)	7. Meals/snacks 9. Diapering/toileting 10. Health Practices	9. Meals/snacks 10. Diapering/toileting 11. Health practices
Diapering Area (22 VAC 15-30-575 B 3)	9. Diapering/toileting	10. Diapering/toileting
Diapering – Disposal of Diaper (22 VAC 15-30-575 B 6 & B 7)	9. Diapering/toileting	10. Diapering/toileting
Diapering - Sanitation (22 VAC 15-30-575 B 8)	7. Meals/snacks 9. Diapering/toileting	9. Meals/snacks 10. Diapering/toileting
§ 54.1-3408 N of the Drug Control Act – Medication Administration Training ( <a href="http://leg1.state.va.us/000/src.htm">http://leg1.state.va.us/000/src.htm</a> )		
Medication Administration (22 VAC 15-30-580 A and M)	10. Health practices	11. Health practices
Medication Containers (22 VAC 15-30-580 E, F & G 3)	10. Health practices	11. Health practices
Storage of Medication (22 VAC 15-30-580 H, I, J & K)	11. Safety practices	12. Safety practices
Medication Documentation (22 VAC 15-30-580 L)		
Over-the-Counter Skin Products/Diaper Ointment or Cream (22 VAC 15-30-585 A and C)		
Special Feeding Needs (22 VAC 15-30-630 A, B, D, E, F, G, H & I)	7. Meals/snacks	9. Meals/snacks

Firearms (22 VAC 40-110-230 from the Minimum Standards for Licensed Family Day Homes, <a href="http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/index.html">www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/index.html</a> , click on “Family Day Homes” then “Applicable Regulation & Code References”)		12. Safety practices
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