



## 2017 NAFCC Accreditation Updates

### COMPLIANCE TIMELINE SUMMARY

*Refer to the 2017 NAFCC Accreditation Updates for full details*

What	Who	When (Compliance)
<p>Updated Quality Standards- The Quality Standards Review Team has been revising all standards to reflect best practices, particularly in the areas of child assessment and social-emotional development. Standards are also being reviewed to clarify language and eliminate gender bias.</p>	<p>All providers submitting an NAFCC Accreditation Application</p>	<p>Starting April 1, 2018</p>
<p>Ratios- NAFCC is instituting a policy regarding child and adult ratios. The following standards will be un-starred standards in the content area of Safety and Health.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A qualified assistant is present when there are more than 6 children in care, and no more than 12 children are in care at any one time.</li> <li>2. When there are 6 or fewer children present, no more than two are under the age of two years. When there are 7 or more children present, no more than 4 are under the age of two years.</li> </ol> <p><i>NOTE for both standards— whenever present, the childcare provider’s own children under the age of six must be included in the count.</i></p>	<p>All providers submitting an NAFCC Accreditation Application</p>	<p>Starting April 1, 2018</p>
<p>Professional Development Plan- As part of the NAFCC Accreditation Application, providers will submit a professional development plan outlining their goals for continued training and education.</p>	<p>All providers submitting an NAFCC Accreditation Application</p>	<p>Starting April 1, 2018</p>

<p>Updated Training Requirements- <b>complete at least 120 clock hours of documented family child care related education/training.</b></p>	<p>Providers seeking accreditation for the first time or when accreditation has lapsed</p>	<p>Starting April 1, 2018</p>
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<p>Updated Training Requirements- <b>complete at least 90 clock hours of documented family child care related education/training. Must include 45 hours' worth of related college courses, CEUs, and/or degree(s)</b></p>	<p>Providers seeking re-accreditation whose accreditation expires in 2019 or later</p>	<p>Next application for re-accreditation</p>
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<p>Criminal Background Check Requirements for NAFCC Observers -<b>maintain a favorable state and FBI criminal back ground check not older than 3 years to maintain eligibility to complete NAFCC Accreditation observation visits</b></p>	<p>NAFCC Accreditation Observers</p>	<p>Currently in effect</p>
<p>Transfer Policy-<b>An accredited provider that is the licensed owner of the program may transfer their accreditation in the instance the program is moved and licensed in a new location.</b></p>	<p>Accredited Providers and Co-providers</p>	<p>Currently in effect</p>
<p>Accreditation Fees-<b>Fees will increase 5-6%.</b></p>	<p>All providers and agencies paying NAFCC Accreditation fees</p>	<p>July 1, 2017</p>