

Initial Program Assessment (IPA)

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Program Name: _____
- Program Address: _____
- Program Phone: _____
- Program Email: _____
- Hours of Operation: _____
- How long have you been a licensed provider? _____
- In your opinion, why do parents choose your program?

PROGRAM

- A *philosophy* is a set of ideas or beliefs relating to a particular field or activity. What is your personal **philosophy** of early childhood education?

- What are your beliefs about **how children learn**?

- Write out your daily schedule:

- Complete this sentence: *It is important that children learn* _____.

- How do children learn in your environment?

- What are the ages of the children in your care? _____
- On average, how long does a child stay in your program? _____
- Do you follow any particular early childhood curriculum? _____
- How often do you assess a child's progress? _____
- Describe the assessment tool(s) you use?

ENVIRONMENT

- What opportunities do your children have to work independently?

- What are you doing while the children are working independently?

- Draw a map of your learning space:



- Are you open to making slight, gradual changes to your environment in order to help your children become more independent? _____