

Checking References

You have visited the programs and narrowed your choices of care and now you need to make a decision. Checking references is the next step. From your final choices of providers/programs ask them for a list of parents who are currently using the program and who have used the program recently.

Start the reference check by introducing yourself.

My name is _____.

I am considering _____
(provider or program name) for
my child care.

I was given your name by _____
_____ (provider/center director
name) as a reference.

Do you have time to answer a few
questions?

- What did you like/dislike about the provider?
- Did the provider listen to your concerns?
- Would you take your child back to this program?



These questions are important. However, you may have specific areas of concerns. We encourage you to ask all the questions you have to make the best decision for your child. If you have any doubts, you may want to look further.

If you need to expand your search, please call one of our Child Care Consultants at 1-800-676-2805.