



"...I learned more about one of my children during the Family Map interview than I did all last year..." ~Early Childcare Educator

The Family Map Inventories are interviews conducted by early childcare practitioners. The Inventories are used to assess the risk and protective factors of a family and home environment associated with healthy child development. **The Family Map Inventories** provide a format to discuss these critical areas. They help educators identify and document services needed.

Family Map Inventories are available in three versions:

Prenatal ~ Birth to 3 Years ~ 3 to 5 Years

The Family Map Inventories support providers in partnering with families. Specific interventions can be designed that help reduce the impact of risk factors while supporting and enhancing protective factors associated with a child's healthy development. The Inventories have been used during enrollment, parent-educator conferences, yearly home visits, or across all three family contracts.



"The teacher showed concern. I appreciated the depth of questions to help understand our family." ~Head Start Parent

Areas Covered in Family Map Inventories:

Self Support ~ Routines ~ Early Learning/School Readiness Monitoring & Prenatal Expectations Environmental Safety ~ Family Cohesion ~ Discipline Health ~ Basic Needs ~ Home & Car Safety ~ Social Integration



Special Program For Childcare Providers in Arkansas

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Starting in 2012, many Arkansas childcare programs may be eligible to receive The Family Map Inventories, training, and support FREE of charge if you meet the following criteria. Participants will receive CEU and/or TAPP credits.

Criteria:

- Must be an Arkansas licensed infant, toddler or preschool childcare provider
- Must be working toward Better Beginnings rating of Level 3 or higher
- Allow training time for staff to attend 6 hour training
- Agree to follow-up mentoring and evaluation
- Agree to implement the Family Map Interviews with parents
- Year-long commitment to benefit from support from the Family Map team

Your program staff will receive training in the use of the Family Map as an interview, the areas covered by the Family Map, and how to effectively administer the Family Map Inventory.

The Family Map is right for your program:

- if you want to help parents provide an enriched home environment
- if you want to help children grow as healthy as possible
- if you want to support families
- if you want to build a stronger parent-educator partnership

The Family Map helps

- Educators by giving them a way to talk about important topics to parents
- Parents by connecting them to resources available through the program
- Children by having links between home and school
- Programs by targeting the right resources to the right families
- Agencies by documenting the services provided to families and eliminating duplicative paperwork

Developed in partnership with Arkansas early child care providers and the families they serve.



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