

Program	Contact	Date Updated
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State	Meets state educational requirements for licensure or certification	Does not meet state educational requirements for licensure or certification	Undetermined	State	Meets state educational requirements for licensure or certification	Does not meet state educational requirements for licensure or certification	Undetermined
Alabama		X		Nebraska		X	
Alaska		X		Nevada		X	
American Samoa		X		New Hampshire		X	
Arizona		X		New Jersey		X	
Arkansas		X		New Mexico		X	
California		X		New York		X	
Colorado		X		North Carolina	X		
Connecticut		X		North Dakota		X	
Delaware		X		Northern Mariana Islands		X	
Florida		X		Ohio		X	
Georgia		X		Oklahoma		X	
Guam		X		Oregon		X	
Hawaii		X		Pennsylvania		X	
Idaho		X		Puerto Rico		X	
Illinois		X		Rhode Island		X	
Indiana		X		South Carolina		X	
Iowa		X		South Dakota		X	
Kansas		X		Tennessee		X	
Kentucky		X		Texas		X	
Louisiana		X		US Virgin Islands		X	
Maine		X		Utah		X	
Maryland		X		Vermont		X	
Massachusetts		X		Virginia		X	
Michigan		X		Washington		X	
Minnesota		X		West Virginia		X	
Mississippi		X		Wisconsin		X	
Missouri		X		Wyoming		X	
Montana		X					

Comments: Students may contact the following state offices with questions related to transferability of early childhood credentials between states and US territories.

Alabama

Department of Education Child Care Services Division 50 North Ripley Street
PO Box 302101
Montgomery, AL 36130 (334)
242-1425; 866-528-1694
<https://dhr.alabama.gov/child-care/licensing-overview>

Alaska

Dept. of Health and Social Services Division of Public Assistance
Child Care Program Office 3601 C Street, Suite 140
Anchorage, AK 99524 (907)
269-4500
<http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/ccare/default.asp>

Arizona

Department of Health Services 150 N. 18th Avenue
Suite #400
Phoenix, AZ - 85007-3224 (602) 364-3224
<http://www.azdhs.gov/licensing/childcare-facilities/index.php>

Arkansas

Department of Human Services
Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education
P.O. Box 1437, Slot S140,
Little Rock, AR - 72203-1437 (501) 682-8590
<https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/about-dhs/dccece/child-care-licensing>

California

Department of Social Services
Community Care Licensing Division, Child Care Program Office 744 P Street
M.S. 19-48 Sacramento, CA 95814 (800) 952-5253
<http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/Child-Care-Licensing>

Colorado

Department of Human Services
Child Care Licensing and Administration Division of Early Care and Learning, CDHS 1575 Sherman Street, 1st Floor
Denver, CO 80203 303-866-4091
http://coloradoofficeofearlychildhood.force.com/oec_cdhs_oec_ectq@state.co.us

Connecticut

Office of Early Childhood
450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 302
Hartford, CT 06103
860-500-4450 or 800-282-6063 <https://beta.ctoec.org/licensing/>

Delaware

Department of Education Office of Child Care Licensing,
Department of Services for Children, Youth and their Families 1825 Faulkland Road

Wilmington, DE 19805

(302) 892-5800 (New Castle); (302) 739-5487 (Kent & Sussex) <http://kids.delaware.gov/occl/occl.shtml>

District of Columbia

Office of the State Superintendent of Education Division of Early Childhood Education (DECE) 810

First Street NE, 4th Floor

Washington, DC 20002

(202) 442-5929 (202)

727-2993 (DECE)

<https://osse.dc.gov/service/early-learning>

Florida

Florida Department of Children and Families,

Office of Child Care Regulation

1317 Winewood Blvd. Building 6, Room 389-A Tallahassee, FL 32399-0700

(888) 352-2842

<https://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/child-care/child-care-licensure.shtml>

Georgia

Bright From the Start

Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE

754 East Tower

Atlanta, GA 30334 (404)

657-5562

<http://dec.al.ga.gov/CCS/Default.aspx>

Hawaii

Department of Human Services

Benefit, Employment, and Support Services Division Child Care Licensing Program 677

Queen Street, Room 400A Honolulu, HI - 96813

808-586-7054

<http://humanservices.hawaii.gov/bessd/child-care-program/child-care-licensing/>

Illinois

Department of Children and Family Services 406 East Monroe Street

Springfield, IL - 62701-1498 (217)

785-2509 or (312) 814-6800

<https://sunshine.dcf.illinois.gov/Content/Licensing/Welcome.aspx>

Indiana

Family and Social Services Administration

Office of Early Childhood and Out-of-School Learning 402 W. Washington Street, Room W361 Indianapolis, IN 46204

(877) 511-1144

<https://www.in.gov/fssa/carefinder/index.html>

Iowa

Department of Human Services 1305 E. Walnut Street, 5th Floor Des Moines, IA 50319-0114 (515) 281-0429

<http://dhs.iowa.gov/licensure-and-registration>

Kansas

Department of Health and Environment Child Care Licensing Program

1000 SW Jackson Street, Suite 200 Topeka, KS - 66612-1274

(785) 296-1270
<http://www.kdheks.gov/bcclr/>
Kentucky
Division of Child Care
Cabinet for Health and Family Services 275 East Main Street
Frankfort, KY 40621 (502)
564-2524
<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dCBS/dcc/Pages/default.aspx>

Louisiana
Department of Education
P.O. Box 4249
Baton Rouge, LA - 70821 (225) 342-9905
<https://www.louisianabelieves.com/early-childhood/child-care-and-development-fun...>

Maine
Department of Health and Human Services Office of Child and Family Services
Children's Licensing and Investigation Services, 41 Anthony Avenue
Augusta, ME 04333-0011 (207)
287-9300 or (207) 287-5060
<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/>

Maryland
State Department of Education Division Early Childhood Development Child Care Licensing Branch
200 W. Baltimore Street Baltimore, MD 21201
<http://earlychildhood.marylandpublicschools.org/child-care-providers/licensing>

Massachusetts
Department of Early Education and Care 51 Sleeper St, 4th Floor
Boston, MA - 2210 Phone: (617) 988-6600
<https://www.mass.gov/eec>
<https://www.mass.gov/guides/licensing-education-analytic-database-lead>

Michigan
Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Bureau of Community and Health Systems Child Care Licensing
Division
611 W. Ottawa
P.O. Box 30664 Lansing, MI - 48909 (866) 685-0006 <http://www.michigan.gov/michildcare>

Minnesota
Department of Human Services Licensing Division
P.O. Box 64242
St. Paul, MN 55164-0242 (651) 431-6500
<https://mn.gov/dhs/general-public/licensing/>

Mississippi
State Department of Health Child Care Licensure Branch 143B Lefleur's Square
Jackson, MS 39215-1700 (601)
364-2827
https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/30,0,183.html
Missouri

Department of Health and Senior Services Section for Child Care Regulation
Division of Regulation and Licensure 3418 Knipp Drive, Suite F
P.O. Box 570
Jefferson City, MO - 65102-0570 (573) 751-2450
<http://health.mo.gov/safety/childcare/index.php>

Montana

Department of Public Health and Human Services Early Childhood Services Bureau
P.O. Box 2020953 Helena, MT 59620-2953 (866) 239-0458
<https://dphhs.mt.gov/qad/Licensure/childcarelicensing>

Nebraska

Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health
P.O. Box 94986301 Centennial Mall South Lincoln, NE - 68509-5007
(402) 471-1802 or (800) 600-1289 Agency Web Page:
<http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Child-Care-Licensing.aspx>

Nevada

Division of Public Behavioral Health Child Care Licensing
3811 W. Charleston Blvd., Ste 210 Las Vegas, NV – 89102
(702) 486-3822 or (775) 337-4470
http://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/ChildCare/Child_Care_Licensing_-_Home

New Hampshire

Department of Health and Human Services Bureau of Licensing & certification
Child Care Licensing Unit 129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301
(603) 271-9025; (800) 852-3345, ext. 9025
<http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oos/cclu/index.htm>

New Jersey

Department of Children and Families Office of Licensing
P.O. Box 729
Trenton, NJ 08625-0729 (855)
463-6323
<http://nj.gov/dcf/providers/licensing/>

New Mexico

Children, Youth and Families Department Early Childhood Services
P.O. Drawer 5160
Santa Fe, NM - 87502-5160 (800)
832-1321 or (505) 827-7499
<https://cyfd.org/child-care-services>

New York

Office of Children and Family Services Division of Child Care Services
52 Washington Street North Bldg., Third Floor Rensselaer, NY – 12144
(518) 474-9454 / (212) 676-2444
http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/daycare_regulations.asp

North Carolina

Department of Public Instruction 301 N. Wilmington Street Raleigh, NC 27601

(919) 807-3300
www.dpi.state.nc.us

North Dakota
Department of Human Services Early Childhood Services
600 East Boulevard Avenue Department 325
Bismarck, ND 58505-0250 (701)
328-2316 or 1-800-245-3736
<http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/childcare/info/>

Ohio
Department of Job and Family Services Office of Family Assistance 4020
E Fifth Avenue Columbus, OH - 43219 1-877-302-2347
<http://jfs.ohio.gov/cdc/index.stm>

Oklahoma
Department of Human Services
P.O. Box 25352, Oklahoma City, OK - 73125 844-834-8314 <https://oklahoma.gov/okdhs/services/child-care-services/child-care-licensing.htm...>

Oregon
Department of Education Office of Child Care
Early Learning Division
P.O. Box 14050 Salem, OR 97309 (503)
947-1400 or (800) 556-6616
<https://oregonearlylearning.com/>

Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Office of Child Development and Early Learning 625 Forster St
Harrisburg, PA 17120 (800) 692-7462
<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

Puerto Rico Departamento de la Familia Edificio Gonzalez Padin Ave. Ponce de Leon 1406 Pda 20
Santurce, PR 00910 (787)
724-8585
<http://childcare-kpg.star-knowledge.in/provider/>

Rhode Island
Rhode Island Department of Human Services PO Box 8709
Cranston, RI 02920-8787 (800)
745-6575
<http://www.dhs.ri.gov/Programs/CCAPLicensing.php>

South Carolina
SC Childcare Early Care and Education Department of Education
1429 Senate Street
Columbia, SC 29201 (803)
734-8500
<https://www.scchildcare.org/providers/become-licensed.aspx>;
South Dakota
South Dakota Department of Social Services 700 Governors Drive

Pierre, SD 57501 (605)
773-3165
<https://dss.sd.gov/childcare/licensing/>

Tennessee
Tennessee Department of Human Services 505 Deaderick Street
Nashville, TN 37243-1403
(615) 532-4885
<https://www.tn.gov/education/early-learning.html>

Texas
Texas Health and Human Services Brown-Heatly Building
4900 N. Lamar Blvd. Austin, TX 78751-2316
(800) 862-5252
<https://www.hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/protective-services-providers/child-care-licensing>

Utah
State Board of Education 250 E 500 S Salt
Lake City, UT 84114 (801) 538-7740
<https://www.schools.utah.gov/curr/licensing> licensing@schools.utah.gov

Vermont Agency of Education-Licensing Office
1 National Life Drive, Davis 5
Montpelier, VT 05641 (802)
828-2390
<https://education.vermont.gov/educator-licensure> diane.lafaille@vermont.gov

Virgin Islands Department of Education
1834 Kongens Gade 00850 St. Thomas, VI 00802 (340) 774-0100 <http://www.vide.vi/>,

Virginia Department of Education
James Monroe Building 101 N. 14th Street Richmond, VA 23218
(800) 292-3820
www.doe.virginia.gov/education Patty.Pitts@doe.virginia.gov

Washington State Professional Educator Standards Board
Old Capitol Building
600 Washington Street SE Olympia, WA 98504
(360) 725-6275
<https://www.pesb.wa.gov/> PESB@k12.wa.us

West Virginia Department of Education
1900 Kanawha Blvd, Suite 700 East Charleston, WV 25303 (304) 558-7010
<https://wvde.us/certification-and-professional-preparation/certification/> rhagerma@k12.wv.us

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction
125 S. Webster Street Madison, WI 53703
(608) 266-3390
<https://dpi.wi.gov/licensing> dpistatesuperintendent@dpi.wi.gov
Wyoming Professional Teaching Standards Board
1920 Thomes Ave. Suite 100

Cheyenne, WY 82001 (307) 777-7291
<https://wyomingptsb.com/home/contact>
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