

CDA Content Areas

Subject Areas	<i>Examples</i>
1. Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment.	<i>Safety, first aid, health, nutrition, space planning, materials and equipment, play.</i>
2. Steps to advance children’s physical and intellectual development.	<i>Large and small muscle, language and literacy, discovery, art, music</i>
3. Positive ways to support children’s social and emotional development.	<i>Self-esteem, independence, self-control, socialization</i>
4. Strategies to establish productive relationships with families.	<i>Parent involvement, home visits, conferences, referrals</i>
5. Strategies to manage an effective program operation.	<i>Planning, record keeping, reporting</i>
6. Maintaining a commitment to professionalism.	<i>Advocacy, ethical practices, work force issues, professional associations</i>
7. Observing and recording children’s behavior.	<i>Tools and strategies for objective information collection</i>
8. Principles of child development and learning.	<i>Developmental milestones from birth through age 5 including cultural influences on development</i>