Child Care Health Consultant Agreement

Pursuant to Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 110-300-0275, a center early learning provider licensed to care for any infant must employ or contract with a child care health consultant to provide health consultation to support the practices of staff working with infants and to support the needs of individual infants. A center early learning provider must enter into a department approved written agreement for services with a child care health consultant.

This consultation agreement is between:

Early Learning Program

_________________________________________________(name)
___________________________________________(contact person)
_________________________________________________(address)
_____________________________________________(phone/email)

and

Child Care Health Consultant

_________________________________________________(name)
_________________________________________________(address)
_____________________________________________(phone/email)

Agreement:

Under this agreement, the child care health consultant will:

- Conduct at least one on-site visit monthly, if an infant is enrolled, during which the consultant:
  - Observes and assesses staff knowledge of infant health, development, and safety and offers support through training, consultation or referral;
  - Observes and assesses classroom health practices including, but not limited to, infection control, including cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting, and provides technical assistance to correct any practices of concern;
  - Observes and assesses behavior, development, and health status of individual infants in care and makes recommendations to staff or parents or guardians including if further assessment is recommended, as requested or otherwise determined appropriate.

- Provide a dated, signed written summary to the early learning provider for each visit that includes topics discussed with parents or staff, any areas of concern related to discussion, observation, assessment, or screening outcomes.
• Report each visit to the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF).
• Be available, or make available a designee who meets the same requirements of the child care health consultant as outlined below, by phone as needed.

Additional agreement details, if any:

Signatures:

_______________________________________________  ________________________
Early Learning Provider                   Date

_______________________________________________  ________________________
Child Care Health Consultant                   Date

The child care health consultant must be a currently licensed registered nurse who:
• Has worked in pediatrics or public health in the past five years or has taken or taught classes in pediatric nursing at the college level in the past five years;
• Has experience with state licensing and public health requirements; and
• Has knowledge and experience sufficient to provide service consistent with the health consultant competencies described in the most current version of Caring for Our Children.

I declare that I am qualified to serve as a child care health consultant based on the requirements outlined above.

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Child Care Health Consultant Signature                   Date