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1 opulation to be served			
Criteria	Not Qualified	Qualified	Highly Qualified
The criteria and indicators for	Site Level Community and Program	Site Level Community and Program	Site Level Community and Program
identifying children and families	Information Form	<u>Information Form</u>	<u>Information Form</u>
who are eligible for the program	AND	AND	AND
are clearly established and likely	Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment	Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment and	Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment and
to target those children and	and Attendance Form	Attendance Form	Attendance Form
families most in need of services.			
	Proposal does not describe criteria	Proposal adequately describes criteria and	Proposal describes criteria and indicators that
Effective recruitment strategies	and indicators or the description does	indicators that will:	have a strong likelihood of ensuring the
are proposed that are likely to	not seem likely to ensure that it will:	a. Identify children and families who	program will:
ensure that the maximum number	a. Identify children and families	are eligible for the program, and	 a. Identify children and families who
of eligible children and families are	who are eligible for the	h Target these shildren and families	are eligible for the program, and
enrolled in the program.	program, and	 Target those children and families most in need of services. 	b. Target those children and families
	b. Target those children and	most in need of services.	b. Target those children and families most in need of services.
	families most in need of		most in fleed of services.
Includes:	services.		c. Consists of criteria that is relevant
			to the community being served and
Site Level Community and	Proposal does not describe a plan	Proposal describes an adequate plan to	program model selected.
Program Information	to enroll eligible population to be	enroll the eligible population to be served	
Recruitment, Selection,	served by the early childhood	by the early childhood initiative(s):	
Enrollment and	initiatives or plan is inadequate:		Proposal describes multiple strategies to
Attendance			enroll the eligible population to be served
<u>rttterraantee</u>	a. No procedure for outreach,	 a. Adequate procedures for outreach, 	by the early childhood initiative(s):
	identification and recruitment	identification and recruitment of	by the early childhood initiative(s).
	of families most at-risk.	families most at-risk.	
			a. Outreach and identification of families
			 a. Outreach and identification of families most at-risk, and recruitment that is
			proactive, reflects the cultural
	Proposal does not indicate geographic	Proposal adequately describes	diversity of the community and uses
	area to be served.	geographic area to be served.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			multiple methods and strategies.
			Proposal provides a detailed description of
			the geographic area to be served.
			the geographic area to be served.
Total of 20 points possible			

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	Proposal does not describe procedures to be used to include a parent interview.	Proposal adequately describes procedures to be used to include a parent interview that is conducted in the parents' home/native language, if necessary and obtains a summary of the child's health history and social development.	Proposal provides a detailed description of procedures to be used for enrollment to include a parent interview that is conducted in the parents' home/native language, if necessary and includes: Child's Health History, including prenatal history Child's Social Development Parent's Education Level Parent's Employment Parent's Income Parent's Age Marital Status Living Arrangements Number of Children in the Household Number of School-aged Siblings experiencing academic difficulty Proposal indicates that written parental permission for the screening will be obtained.
	Possible score: 0-9	Possible score: 10-16	Possible score: 17-20

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Quality of Proposed Program	Site Level Community and	Site Level Community and Program	Site Level Community and Program
	Program Information	<u>Information</u>	<u>Information</u>
The program proposed reflects			
consideration of recommended	Proposal does not describe the	Proposal adequately indicates center-	Proposal provides a detailed
program elements specified in the	location of programming.	based or home-based programming.	description of a center-based program
Request for Proposals; contains		The location for center-based services	and/or intensive home-based
developmentally appropriate		meets all licensing requirements.	programming included to meet
practices and a continuous program		Home Visiting program meets all	individual family needs and
improvement process identifying measurable outcomes that are		model requirements.	appropriate for the community being
appropriate for the population to be			targeted for services. The location for center-based services meets all
served and complies with all other			licensing requirements. Home Visiting
requirements specified in the RFP			program meets all model
guidelines.			requirements.
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			Proposal provides detailed description
Includes:			of the schedule for the center-based
Site Level Community and			program, meeting all program
Program Information			requirements.
Home Visiting Schedule			
and Description (if			
applicable)	Home Visiting Schedule	Home Visiting Schedule Description	Home Visiting Schedule Description
 Screening and 	<u>Description</u>	(For Home Visiting Programs):	(For Home Visiting Programs):
<u>Assessment</u>	(For Home Visiting Programs):	Duran and a demonstration de ancilla a const	Duana and muscidas and stailed
 <u>Curriculum for Children</u> 	Scheduling for programmatic	Proposal adequately describes year- round scheduling of programmatic	Proposal provides a detailed description of year-round scheduling
 Children with Disabilities 	activities is not intensive or flexible	activities that are of sufficient intensity	practices and intensity of services
 Parent Engagement and 	to meet family needs.	and duration to make sustainable	tailored to individual strengths and
<u>Support</u>	to meet taming meeds.	changes in a family (such as # and	needs of children ages 0-3 and their
 Community Partnerships 		frequency of home visits and parent	families.
• <u>Transitions</u>		workshops) and steps to be taken to	a. Information about the number
IFSP/FPA and Case		encourage families to attend regularly	and frequency of home visits,
Management		and remain in the program.	parent workshops, and/or other
 Health Services (optional) 			services clearly demonstrates
Total of EO points possible			intensity.
Total of 50 points possible			

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Criteria	Not Qualified	Qualified	Highly Qualified
Examples of Home Visiting Program Models: Baby TALK Prevention Initiative – Center-Based Healthy Families America Parents as Teachers (PAT)			 b. Schedules for meeting with parents include evenings, weekends and summer programming. c. Various strategies are planned to meet the needs of a diverse population of children and families. d. Steps to encourage families to remain in the program a sufficient time to make sustainable changes are clearly outlined.
	Curriculum for Children Form	Curriculum for Children Form	Curriculum for Children Form
Examples of Evidence-Based Curriculum for Center-Based	For both home visiting and center- based services:	For home visiting services:	For home visiting services:
Programs		Proposal identifies the research-based	Proposal identifies the research-based
 Child-centered curriculum Creative Curriculum for 	Proposal does not indicate the curriculum or research-based model that will be used.	program model that will be followed and includes sufficient evidence that the program will be built upon	program model that will be followed and provides extensive evidence that the program will be built upon
Infants and Toddlers High/Scope Infant-	model that will be used.	effective research about Prevention	effective research about Prevention
Toddler Curriculum • Parent centered curriculum > Parents as Teachers (PAT)	Proposal does not include evidence that the program is built upon effective research about Prevention Initiative services or that it is aligned with the Illinois	Initiative services, including a. identification of the primary program model that will be followed, and	Initiative services, including a. identification of the primary program model that will be followed and any supplemental services that will be used, and
	Birth to Three Program Standards.	 description of how the program plans to ensure adherence to the selected model, 	b. detailed description of plans that will ensure adherence to the selected program model,

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Illinois Birth to Three Program			
Standards can be downloaded at		For Center-Based Services:	For Center-Based Services:
http://www.isbe.net/earlychi/			
html/03 standards.htm		Proposal indicates that a research-	Proposal provides a detailed
		based curriculum will be used and that	description of a process by which
		the school readiness goals will be used	school readiness goals have been
		to guide instruction.	developed and how a research-based
			curriculum will be implemented to
		Due weed and a suptable decoribes have	support children in achieving these
		Proposal adequately describes how curriculum will include integrated	goals.
		learning addressing multiple domains	Proposal provides a detailed
		of development.	description of how a research-based
		or development.	curriculum and any other
			supplemental materials will be
			implemented to support children in
			achieving school readiness goals.
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			Proposal details a research-based curriculum aligned with the Illinois Birth to Three Program Standards that reflects a balance of all areas of learning offered in an integrated manner and reflecting the holistic nature of learning, including the required domains.
			Varied teaching strategies are planned, depending on the developmental levels and unique needs of children: A positive, responsive, and caring environment promotes the interaction of children with materials, other children and adults. The social environment is structured to promote engagement, interaction, communication, and learning. Recommended practices are used to teach/promote whatever
			skills are necessary for children to function more completely, competently, adaptively, and independently in the child's natural environment;

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	Screening and Assessment Form	Screening and Assessment Form	Screening and Assessment Form
	Proposal does not indicate a plan for ensuring children will be screened within 45 calendar days of enrollment.	Proposal describes a plan for ensuring children will be screened within 45 calendar days of enrollment.	Proposal describes a detailed, well-developed plan that has a high likelihood of ensuring children will be screened within 45 calendar days of enrollment.
	Proposal does not indicate that Prevention Initiative program provider(s) will be included in screening process.	Proposal describes adequate procedures to include Prevention Initiative program provider(s) in screening process and make results available to them.	Proposal indicates that Prevention Initiative program provider(s) is involved in all aspects of the screening process.
	Proposal does not describe the method or sources of information that will be used to regularly monitor children's development to inform instruction.	Proposal adequately describes both the methods and the sources of information that will be used to regularly monitor children's development to inform instruction.	Proposal describes in detail how children's development will be regularly monitored to inform instruction using multiple sources, including:
	Proposal does not indicate that written parental permission for the screening will be obtained.	Proposal indicates that written parental permission for the screening will be obtained.	 a broad-based general assessment tool validated by research;
	Proposal does not describe how the child's development will be communicated to parents.	Proposal adequately describes how the program will communicate with parents about their child's development.	a research-based tool to periodically perform developmental screening for all children covering all areas of development; and
			referral to the local Child and Family Connections when diagnostic assessment is indicated.

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			Proposal describes in detail how the program will communicate on a regular basis with parents about their child's development. Home Visiting Programs: Will use parent input to inform screening process.
	Children with Disabilities Proposal does not describe a plan for identifying children in need of Early Intervention services.	Children with Disabilities Proposal describes a plan for identifying and referring children in need of Early Intervention services.	Children with Disabilities Proposal describes a plan for identifying and referring children in need of Early Intervention services and working with parents to ensure children receive appropriate care.
	Proposal describes parent involvement plan that does not include suggested activities and	Parent Engagement and Support Proposal describes adequate parent involvement plan that includes:	Parent Engagement and Support Proposal describes a comprehensive parent involvement plan that includes: a. orientation to the educational
	include suggested activities and opportunities.	 a. orientation to the educational program; b. opportunities for involvement in home-based or site-based activities; c. provision for communication with parents about the program; d. methods for linking parents with community resources and 	 a. Orientation to the educational program; b. use of an evidence based curriculum and/or supplemental materials; c. multiple opportunities for involvement in home-based or site-based activities; d. provision for regular

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		services; e. activities that emphasize and strengthen the parent(s) role as the child's primary educator; f. involvement of families in developing and implementing the program.	communication with parents about the program; e. methods for linking parents with community resources and services; f. variety of activities that emphasize and strengthen the parent(s) role as the child's primary educator; g. ongoing involvement of families in the development and implementation of the program.
	IFSP and Case Management Proposal describes inadequate or minimal procedures for the development of individual family service plans Proposal does not indicate that the program will ensure coordination between the individual family service plan and any other service plans that other community service providers have developed with/for the family. Proposal does not indicate how the program will provide families with access to comprehensive services.	IFSP and Case Management Proposal describes adequate procedures for the development of individual family service plans, including: a. involving parents and families in making decisions about their goals; b. assessing the needs of the family and child; c. ensuring that the service plan is based on the needs of the family; and d. using the service plan to guide services for the family.	IFSP and Case Management Proposal describes well-detailed procedures for the development and implementation of individual family service plans including: a. continuous involvement of parents and families in the decisions regarding their family goals and outcomes; b. ongoing assessment of the needs of the family and the child; C. a written plan based on the needs of the family which includes but is not limited to educational and social-economic needs; and d. ongoing use of the service plan to guide services for the family.

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Proposal does not describe a Proposal indicates that the particles to system for referring families to other service providers and individual family service plants.	Proposal describes in detail how the program program will ensure coordination
following up on these referrals. other service plans that oth community service provider developed with/for the fam Proposal adequately describ program will provide familie access to comprehensive se Proposal adequately describ system for referring families service providers and follow these referrals.	plan and any other service plans that other community service providers have developed with/for the family including a. established partnerships that support the development of infants and children from birth to age three through an extensive network of child and family service providers; b. established written coordination

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	Community Partnerships	Community Partnerships	Community Partnerships
	Proposal describes community involvement plan that does not include suggested activities and opportunities.	Proposal provides list of organizations identified as partners operating in area, including: a. ensure collaboration with other early childhood programs in the community to avoid duplication of services; and	Proposal provides a detailed description of organizations identified as partners, along with their active role in community and system planning and ongoing collaborative relationships with other programs operating in area, including:
		b. awareness of other relevant services in the community to provide referrals.	a. established collaboration in place to combine the infant/toddler educational program with available full-day or year-round early education and care services, if appropriate, avoid duplication of services, and ensure maximum number of children in the community are served with quality programming;
			 b. established partnership agreements with local entities or collaborations to ensure that the comprehensive needs of the family and children are met; c. established collaboration with special education services to serve eligible children;
			d. established support mechanisms that demonstrates respect for individual needs and an understanding of the impact of the children's home, community and cultural experiences on their

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Criteria	Not Qualified	Qualified	Highly Qualified
Criteria	Transitions	Transitions	development and learning; and e. written procedures to transition children both into and out of the program, including into kindergarten.
	Proposal has inadequate or minimal procedures to transition children/families both into and out of the program, and between program options.	Proposal demonstrates transition procedures to enroll children/families into and out of the program and provides policies to ensure that children are transitioned between program options.	Transitions Proposal describes robust and supportive transition procedures to ensure that children successfully enter the program, and provides written, age-appropriate policies and procedures to ensure that
	Proposal does not provide support to transition children and families into families.	Proposal adequately demonstrates procedure for transitioning children into preschool, including family communication.	procedures to ensure that children/families are transitioned between program options and out of the program, if exited before kindergarten. Established referral and follow-up
			system that ensures children have an appropriate early childhood education placement after leaving the Prevention Initiative program.
	Possible score: 0-20	Possible Score: 21-36	Possible Score: 37-50

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Criteria	Does Not Meet Standard	Meets Standard	Exemplary
Monitoring, Quality Assurance, and	- 6 - 16	- 6 - 16	- 6 - 16 -
<u>Professional Development</u>	Staff Qualifications	Staff Qualifications	Staff Qualifications
Proposed staff hold the appropriate certifications and/or licenses for their positions with qualifications and	Proposal describes an inadequate staffing plan:	Proposal describes an adequate staffing plan:	Proposal describes a well-detailed staffing plan:
experience necessary to successfully implement a high-quality infant/toddler educational program. The staff development plan is data-informed, adequately addresses the	 a. not all staff paid by the Prevention Initiative educational program meet certification and/or other requirements for their positions; b. staff roles not sufficiently described; 	 a. all staff paid by the Prevention Initiative program hold appropriate certification and/or other requirements for their positions: b. staff roles clearly described; b. administrator and all program staff 	 a. all staff paid by the Prevention Initiative funding hold appropriate certification and/or other requirements for their positions: b. staff identified are qualified, experienced providers of early
needs of the staff, offers a varied and full range of staff development experiences and provides sufficient opportunities for learning so as to allow staff to incorporate the training into program delivery activities.	c. insufficient evidence that administrator and all program staff are knowledgeable about high- quality early childhood programs;	are knowledgeable about high- quality early childhood programs;	education for children ages birth to three and parenting education. c. all staff role descriptions are clear, detailed and appropriate to support a quality infant/toddler educational program; d. administrator and all program staff
The evaluation strategies include measurable outcomes for children and families that are designed to effectively gauge the success of the program and yield sufficient data that can be used to improve the program.			are knowledgeable and experienced in operating high-quality infant/toddler programs;
· ·	Human Resources	Human Resources	Human Resources
An eligible applicant has presented evidence that it:	Proposal describes a professional	Describes an adequate professional	Proposal describes a clear, thorough
a. holds the appropriate licensure to operate a child care facility (if	development plan not coordinated with staff or program needs:	development plan for all staff by:	and well-detailed staff development plan for all staff by:
applicable); b. holds early childhood accreditations or has other relevant experience that	a. program staff not being assessed for staff development needs; and	 a. assessing the staff development needs of staff in the educational program; b. providing initial preparation 	a. frequently assessing the staff development needs of all staff in the educational program with
demonstrates success in	b. staff development plans are not	and ongoing support that will	evidence-based practices;

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Criteria	Does Not Meet Standard	Meets Standard	Exemplary
implementing and administering programs similar to the ones funded; and c. has a successful track record with similar grants or contracts. Includes: Staff Qualifications Human Resources Record Keeping, Monitoring, and Self-Assessment Organizational History and Experience Total of 20 points possible	clearly tied to purpose and goals of the Prevention Initiative educational program.	enable staff to achieve the purpose and goals of the educational or family support program; c. ensures classroom staff is consistent and stable for children's care or family support; d. addressing issues of language and cultural diversity within the program; and e. procedures are in place to ensure that the program will offer opportunities and resources for staff to share and consult with others regularly. Evidence is provided that staff are offered opportunities for collaboration. Proposal provides a feasible plan for recruiting and retaining qualified, well-trained staff.	b. offering a varied and full range of staff development experiences that provide initial preparation and ongoing support that is intensive, focused and of sufficient duration to achieve the purposes and goals of the infant/toddler educational program; c. addressing issues of language and cultural diversity within the program. d. assisting staff in understanding and overcoming barriers to equitable participation by families and children with special needs; e. ensures classroom staff is consistent and stable for children's care or family support; f. giving staff adequate time for learning and implementing training ideas into program application; g. Include on-going, regular, and consistent supervision; and h. writing a professional development plan for all staff. Evidence is provided that staff are offered opportunities and resources to share and consult with others regularly for the purpose of continuous program improvement.

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Criteria	Does Not Meet Standard	Meets Standard	Exemplary
Criteria	Record Keeping, Monitoring and Self-Assessment Proposal describes an inadequate evaluation plan that does not evaluate the success of the program and/or provide measurable outcomes for participating children.	Record Keeping, Monitoring and Self-Assessment Proposal describes plan for an ongoing evaluation of program and staff which: a. determines whether successful implementation of the program model and curriculum are being achieved, including alignment with Illinois Birth to Three Program Standards; b. uses on-going monitoring and measurable outcomes to determine the progress that	Proposal provides a feasible plan for recruiting and retaining qualified, well-trained staff. Record Keeping, Monitoring and Self-Assessment The evaluation strategies include measurable outcomes for children and families that are designed to effectively gauge the success of the program and yield sufficient data that can be used to improve the program. Proposal describes a well-detailed and thorough plan for a rigorous, objective, ongoing evaluation of program and

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		Parents are included in on-going assessment practices, including input for on-going organizational improvement. Ensure that all standards are being met, including health and safety standards for young children, through data-driven evaluation of programs.	 b. has a meaningful and robust process through which continuous program improvement in instruction, environment, family engagement, and other program elements is informed. c. Includes educational support team and other staff in on-going professional development, evaluation, and program improvement efforts. d. uses on-going monitoring and measurable outcomes to determine the progress that children and families are making toward developed goals and regularly monitors children's development using appropriate screening and authentic assessment, driving data-informed program development; and e. has a formal process by which the results of the evaluation are used to inform continuous program improvement. Parents are included in on-going assessment practices, including input for on-going organizational improvement. Ensure that all standards are being met, including health and safety standards for young children, through
			data-driven evaluation of programs.

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	Organizational History and Experience a. the appropriate licensure to operate a day care facility is not provided, b. the applicant does not have relevant experience and/or early childhood accreditations, and c. the applicant does not have a successful track record with similar grants and does not demonstrate the capacity to fulfill the standards necessary to provide quality early childhood programming.	Organizational History and Experience a. the appropriate licensure to operate a day care center facility is provided, b. the applicant has relevant experience and/or early childhood accreditations, and c. the applicant has a successful track record with similar grants.	Organizational History and Experience a. the appropriate licensure to operate a child care center facility is provided, b. the applicant has extensive experience that demonstrates success and holds early childhood accreditations, c. the director holds the Illinois Director's Credential, d. the center has the Illinois Quality Rating Scale Star Level 2 or above, e. the applicant has provided evidence of success with similar grants.
	Possible Score: 0-10	Possible Score: 11-16	Possible Score 18-20

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The program is cost-effective as	Proposal describes a 0-3 budget that	Proposal describes adequate use of	Proposal describes itemized
evidenced by the cost of proposed	is an inadequate use of funds for	Prevention Initiative funds:	explanation for use of Prevention
services in relation to the numbers to	Prevention Initiative:		Initiative funds:
be served and the services to be			
provided.	 budget summary has significant inconsistencies; 	budget summary is accurate;	budget summary is complete and accurate;
Includes:			
• <u>Fiscal Capacity</u>	budget breakdown has incomplete explanation of expenditures;	budget breakdown includes sufficient explanation of expenditures;	budget breakdown explains each item completely and gives calculations to support the amount requested;
	 expenditures are not consistent for the scope and purpose of the project; 	most expenditures are consistent for the scope and purpose of the project	all expenditures are consistent for the scope and purpose of the project;
	 requested funding level is not reasonable for the number to be served and the services to be provided. 	requested funding level is reasonable for the number to be served and the services to be provided.	costs detailed are reasonable for the number to be served and the quality of the services to be provided.
Total of 10 points possible	Possible score 0-6	Possible Score: 7-8	Possible Score: 9-10

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