

Questionnaire for Partner of Prospective Educator

Baulkham Hills Family Day Care

Family Day Care (FDC) can be a rewarding career, and working from home may provide work/life balance. To be successful, Family Day Care requires support from the whole family. Below are some of the aspects of Family Day Care that may impact daily family life, please respond to each of the following question...

1. As with any small business, there are initial 'start up' costs for Family Day Care (e.g. toys, equipment, furniture, training etc). And ongoing expenses (e.g. replenishing craft supplies, replacing broken toy or equipment etc). How do you feel about these expenses?

2. FDC Educators can provide education and care for up to seven (7) children, of which four (4) can be under school age and three (3) over school age, including the Educator's own children. Some of these children are likely to be under two (2) years old. How do you feel about having toys, cots and other equipment throughout the house?

3. Managing safety within Family Day Care can be challenging. What do you think about having barriers on stairs, childproof devices on cupboards and locks on gates and sheds?

4. How do you feel about clients and Baulkham Hills Family Day Care staff visiting your home at different times of the day, perhaps early in the morning or in the evening?

5. If you work from home and/or spend time at home during the day, what do you think about being aware of safety requirements such as not using power tools, keeping gates locked & maintaining stair barriers etc?

6. As with any small business, the income from Family Day Care may not always be consistent. How do you feel about this?

7. The care and education of children is a demanding job. Educators may find some days challenging and as a result, the family's routine can be disrupted (e.g. meal times). What are your thoughts on this?

8. Family Day Care services are smoke free zones and children are not to have access to cigarettes or lighters. If you are a smoker, how do you feel about smoking outside in an area away from the children's play area?

9. Have you read the 'Prospective Educator Information Pack'? Yes No

Partner Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.