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To whom it may concern;

I am presently a family home day care provider with grave concerns about the proposed changes in the DPW Rules and Regulations.

My main concern is with the requirements in the new Program Plan.

- I have a BS in Education.
- I have been a public school teacher.
- I have 30 years of experience in ECE.
- I ran a medium sized day care center for 27 years.
- I am working at a star three level and have only one or two qualifications to meet a star four level.
- I am also TQSA trainer.

**I could not meet this requirement.**

Public Education has specialists to do what you are proposing high school graduates to do. Even in a day care setting, most directors and group supervisors are not equipped nor have the time to implement these changes.

The legal ramifications are overwhelming for unqualified persons being put in a position of possibly making an incorrect diagnosis or missing a diagnosis. You say that you will provide us with the "tools" to do this task. But, without the expertise to use and evaluate these "tools", the "tools" themselves will not be adequate.

It is my fervent hope, you will reconsider this regulation and structure it more along the lines of what the Stars program requires.

Examples: Observation classes, child observations, portfolios & parent conferences.

Respectfully,  
*Susan Nemchick*  
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Age appropriate developmental and academic check lists would be greatly appreciated.