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Amanda:

I have been a child care provider for 28 years. I began as a family provider and in 2008 I opened a center. It is wonderful to see DPW and Keystone Stars working together to give us a set of quality regulations to follow. When we have our DPW inspection and we talk about what stars requires the inspector does not know what we are referring to. It will be great to have them understand now. As far as the additional hours of training being required all I can say is "YES". The more we learn the better we are to offer quality care to our children. The PDR's will encourage practitioners to look at themselves as professionals and give them the opportunity to see where they need to improve in areas of care. I think the new changes are great.

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