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Quality Counts in the  
State of Illinois

# Achieve NAEYC Accreditation

***Join us for this informative and important event!***

IF you are NAEYC Accredited and participating in Illinois Quality Rating System, you could receive 15% more in childcare reimbursement rates from the state.

NAEYC Accreditation is a rigorous process but it is one of the best ways to improve program quality in 10 standard areas.

***Hear from a newly accredited site on how they did it!***

- Get an overview of the Accreditation process, understand how the standards and criteria are organized
- Learn the four steps to Accreditation
- Look at tools for Self-study and Self-assessment
- Get advice on developing Program and Classroom portfolios
- Hear from a newly accredited program on their process.

**Friday, December 9, 2011**

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**Metropolitan Family Services**

3249 N. Central Ave.

Chicago, IL 60634 *(street parking available)*

\$50 per person *(includes materials, lunch and snacks)*



Register online at [www.chicagometroaeyc.org](http://www.chicagometroaeyc.org)

## CHICAGO METRO AEYC FAST FACTS

- NAEYC's first headquarters was in Chicago.
- Developmentally Appropriate Practice was an outgrowth of our Kindergarten Commission.
- Chicago's Accreditation Project was one of the first facilitated projects in the United States.
- Membership spans 12 states and Canada. We represent early childhood stakeholders from 171 cities and 27 counties across the state of Illinois, and 51 organizations currently committed to the Opening Minds to Connect Children with Nature Campaign.
- More than 9,000 people, take advantage of our professional development consultation services, conferences, symposia, institutes, activities, special events and online resources each year.
- Individuals and organizations have relied on us as their go-to resource, to influence policy-makers, and to build professional competence for 85 years.