



Matrix Resources

Core 3: Program and Environment

Element 6: Program Environment Rating Scales (FCCERS, ITERS & ECERS)

Goal for Element 6

The program indoor and outdoor environments support children's learning and development.

Resources

Click bolded links below to access documents

- **RQT Professional Development Calendar**
 - Available to all RQT Steps
 - Introduction to ERS sessions
 - Activity Subscale sessions for FCCERS, ITERS & ECERS
- **Environment Rating Scales (ERS) Web site**
 - Family Child Care ERS (FCCERS)
 - Infant Toddler ERS (ITERS)
 - Early Childhood ERS (ECERS)

Matrix Point Levels

Common Tier 1: Not Required

2 points: Familiarity with ERS and every classroom uses ERS as a part of a Quality Improvement Plan (QIP)

3 points: Assessment using the whole tool. Results used to inform the program's QIP.

4 points:

ERS assessment by RQT assessor

All subscales completed and averaged to meet overall score of 5.0.

5 points:

ERS assessment by RQT assessor

All subscales completed and averaged to meet overall score of 5.5.

*When ERS sub-scale, "Provisions for Parents" is less than 6.0 a QIP will be developed to increase this score

AND Provider offers link to community based resources that support families with young children will be visible or available in writing from provider and provides information on family strengthening protective factors related to social and emotional competence

OR Current National Accreditation approved by the California Department of Education

*Sacramento County QRIS requirement