

28.10 Early care internet webpage.

1. The Iowa empowerment board shall provide for the operation of an internet webpage for purposes of widely distributing early care information provided by the departments represented on the board and the public and private agencies addressing the early care system.
2. Information provided on the internet webpage shall include but is not limited to all of the following:
 - a.* The early learning standards for children ages three to five proposed by the early learning standards group created pursuant to federal child care and development block grant requirements and with assistance from the Iowa child care and early education network, department of education, department of human services, Iowa head start association, and Iowa state university of science and technology, as prepared with consideration of the standards and recommendations issued by the United States department of education regarding early childhood cognitive development and learning and preschool and research-based standards for high-quality early care, including but not limited to the practices identified by the institute of education sciences of the United States department of education. As early learning standards are identified in law, the proposed standards posted on the webpage shall be replaced with the standards identified in law.
 - b.* A link to a special webpage directed to parents, including parent-specific information on early care, information regarding the early childhood development credits under section 422.12C, and links to other resources available on the internet and from other sources.
 - c.* Program standards for early care that have been approved by state agencies.
 - d.* A single point of contact for use by a parent in accessing the community empowerment area programs and early care programs that are available in the parent's area.
3. The Iowa empowerment board shall include information regarding the extent and frequency of usage of the webpage or webpages in the board's annual report to the governor and general assembly.

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