

Getting Ready for

QUALITYstarsNYSM

Preparing & Applying to Participate



Early childhood programs interested in participating in QUALITYstarsNY must complete a few steps to prepare and complete the application process.

1. Join The Aspire Registry for New York's Early Childhood Workforce

To apply and participate in QUALITYstarsNY, program leaders must join The Aspire Registry and create an Organization Profile for their program. Follow the links below for step-by-step instructions and download The Aspire Registry's [Planning Guide for Program Early Childhood Leaders](#) for further guidance.

- [Create an Individual Profile in The Aspire Registry](#) at nyworksforchildren.org.
- [Once you've joined Aspire, create an Organization Profile](#) and provide the required information for your program.
- Support your staff to create their own Individual Profiles and submit documents, and verify your staff's employment.

For assistance with The Aspire Registry, visit their [Help Center](#) or contact their support team at info@nyworksforchildren.org or (718) 254-7716.

2. Submit the QUALITYstarsNY Program Interest Form at qualitystarsny.org/apply to Receive Information about the Application

- Submit our Program Interest Form on our website at qualitystarsny.org/apply to let us know your program is interested in participating in QUALITYstarsNY. Once QUALITYstarsNY staff review your Program Interest Form, you will receive additional information with next steps to access the QUALITYstarsNY application.
- Follow the emailed instructions you receive to access and complete the QUALITYstarsNY application.
- After applying, you will receive an email when your program is selected to participate or added to the QUALITYstarsNY waitlist until additional resources become available in your area.

3. Learn More About What to Expect as a QUALITYstarsNY Participant

- Attend a QUALITYstarsNY Information Session to learn more about how we support early childhood programs and what it looks like to participate. Check our schedule of upcoming sessions at qualitystarsny.org/recruit to register for an event.
- Read about the [benefits of participating in QUALITYstarsNY](#).
- Become familiar with the [QUALITYstarsNY Standards](#) for high quality in early care and education programs.
- Review the [QUALITYstarsNY participation process](#).

Visit qualitystarsny.org for more information. Questions? Contact support@qualitystarsny.org.