

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 a 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 nyworksforchildren.org or (718) 254-7716.

2. Submit QUALITYstarsNY's Intent-to-Apply form at qualitystarsny.org/apply

- Submit our intent-to-apply form on our website at qualitystarsny.org/apply to let us know your program is interested in participating in QUALITYstarsNY. QUALITYstarsNY staff will follow-up with additional information and next steps to access the QUALITYstarsNY application.
- Follow the emailed instructions you receive to access and complete the QUALITYstarsNY application.
- Once you've applied, you'll 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 virtual QUALITYstarsNY Information & Recruitment Session to learn more about how we support early childhood programs and what it looks like to participate. [Check out our schedule of upcoming sessions.](#)
- 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.