SETTING UP AN IN-HOME CRECHE

A Childcare Professional Development Course

For

Childcare Providers, Daycare Operators, Crèche Managers, Nursery Owners and anyone interested

in working with children.

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LESSON 1:

Reasons why people set up an In-home Creche:

- 1 Care and Home school your own children
- 2. Meet a need in the community.
- 3. Bored of staying idle at home.
- 4. To give a special need child full attention.

LESSON 2:

PERSONAL/ENVIRONMENT ASSESSMENT

Do I have what it takes to run an In-Home Creche? Am I prepared for what it takes? Let's find out.

NAME:

DATE:

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1.	How is my health doing?				
2	Can I cope with caring for kids all day?				
3	Which of the spaces in my home can I use?				
4	Has my husband approved?				
5	Have I discussed with my children or other family members living with me?				
6	Do I have the resources needed to start this business?				
7	Have I gotten the approval of the landlord?				
8	Have I conducted a feasibility study of those who will need my service?				
9	Will the creche inconvenience my neighbours?				
10	Do I know the basic things needed to care for other people's children?				

 		 		
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LESSON 3:

DESIGNING YOUR CARE SPACE

The basic care areas that must be made available are:

- 1. Rest and Nap Areas
- 2. Feeding and Food Preparation Areas
- 3. Learning and Skill Development Areas

- 4. Play Areas
- 5. Storage Areas

LESSON 4:

DETERMINING AGE GRADE AND SERVICES

Determining factors to consider in this order:

- 1. Size of your space
- 2. Number of children to care for

3. Type of services

LESSON 5:

DETERMINING YOUR OPERATION HOURS

To determine your operating hours, you need to consider:

1. The safety of the environment.

- 2. Family life balance
- 3. Neighbours convenience.
- 4. Demand of your clients.

LESSON 6:

SETTING YOUR RATES

To set the rates that works, you need to do the following:

- 1. Know the type of services your target clients will need
- 2. Know how much they can afford due to their economic situation.
- 3. What will it cost you to run the services?

LESSON 7:

DETERMINING WHAT TO TEACH THE CHILDREN

- 1. Pre reading skills
- 2. Pre writing skills
- 3. Practical life skills
- 4. Sorting
- 5. Counting
- 6. Letter and number works
- 7. Their culture
- 8. Their environment
- 9. Sounds
- 10. Shapes
- 11. Colours

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12. whatever the parent wants you to teach their child.

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13. Buy and use a structured curriculum and lesson plan.

LESSON 8:

SETTING POLICIES FOR YOUR HOME CRECHE

- 1. Payment due dates
- 2. Drop off policy
- 3. Authorized pick up person

- 4. Food handling
- 5. Record keeping/communication policy

LESSON 9:

REGISTRATIONS AND APPROVALS

The ministry of women affairs and social development is in charge of creche approvals and licensing of creche.

Though in some state, the ministry differs.

Find out the ministry in charge of your creche and find out the minimum requirements for registering your home creche.

LESSON 10:

RECORD KEEPING

1. Daily communication book

- 2. Payment records
- 3. Sign in/sign out record

- 6. Any other record you may want to maintain.