

### Expulsion Policy

Circle or highlight the language your program's expulsion policies must include.

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#### Emotional Support and Classroom Organization – Expulsion

1. To promote continuity of care and maximize opportunities for child development and learning, a Licensee must develop policies and practices that limit expulsions and other exclusionary discipline that ends child services. Expulsion policies must include the steps a Licensee took to avoid expelling a child as well as referral services, assessments, or programs that may benefit an expelled child. Expulsion should only be used in extraordinary circumstances when there are safety concerns.
2. If a Licensee must expel a child because the program is not able to meet the child's individual safety needs, or the safety needs of others, the early learning provider must:
  - a) Share with the family of the expelled child the program's expulsion policy;
  - b) Provide a record to the parents about the expulsion and the steps taken to avoid expulsion;
  - c) Refer the family to alternative services, assessments, or programs that may be able to meet the child's needs; and maintain a record about the expulsion and the steps taken to avoid expulsion in the child's file.