WAC 110-305-1710  Program director.  (1) The licensee must serve as or employ a program director who is responsible for the overall management of the child care program and operation.

(2) The program director must have the understanding, ability, physical health, emotional stability and good judgment to meet the needs of the children in care.

(3) The program director must:
   (a) Be at least twenty-one years of age;
   (b) Have two years' experience in management, supervision, or leadership;
   (c) Attend a department orientation within six months of employment or assuming the position;
   (d) Have a TB test as required under WAC 170-297-1750;
   (e) Have a background clearance as required under chapter 170-06 WAC;
   (f) Have current CPR and first-aid certification as required under WAC 170-297-1825;
   (g) Complete HIV/AIDS training and annual bloodborne pathogens training as required under WAC 170-297-1850;
   (h) Have a high school diploma or equivalent;
   (i) Have a minimum of forty-five college credits (or thirty college credits and one hundred fifty training hours) in approved school-age credits as specified in the Washington state guidelines for determining related degree and approved credits; and
   (j) Have completed basic STARS training or possess an exemption.

(4) A program director must be on the premises as needed.

(5) When the program director is not on-site the program director must leave a competent, designated staff person in charge. This staff person must meet the qualifications of a site coordinator and may also serve as child care staff when that role does not interfere with management and supervisory responsibilities.