

What to Ask When You Don't Know What to Ask

- 1. What is the ratio of BCBAs to children?
- 2. How often is there a BCBA on campus/at your facility?
- 3. How often are the children's programs updated?
- 4. What assessments do you use? How often are they updated?
- 5. Is there a Human Rights Committee/Ethics committee to approve punishment procedures?
- 6. How old are the children in your program?
- 7. What are the qualifications of your direct care (1:1) staff?
- 8. How much training do your 1:1 staff receive prior to working with the children?
- 9. How often are the 1:1 staff evaluated? Get feedback?
- 10. Can you give me an example of what my child's daily schedule will look like?
- 11. How many staff will my child work with each day? Week?
- 12. How often are you closed? Summer schedule?
- 13. How often do you have parent meetings? Are there opportunities for other trainings?
- 14. Are there opportunities for parent training at home, in the community, etc.?
- 15. Can I come in and observe or watch my child?
- 16. Is there any opportunity for social skills training?
- 17. Is there any opportunity for social skills training with typically developing children?
- 18. Will you collaborate with other disciplines? Speech? OT?
- 19. For older children, are there opportunities for vocational training?
- 20. Can you address feeding problems?
- 21. What is your transition procedure? Can employees from the school/treatment center where my child is transitioning to come and observe? Can you provide training for them? Do you attend ARD meetings?
- 22. Are you a TEA approved non-public school site?
- 23. Are you licensed, certified, or regulated by any agency? If so who?
- 24. Are you associated with any university program in Behavior Analysis?
- 25. Do you take the children into the community for training opportunities? Do you provide opportunities for field trips as appropriate for my child?
- 26. Do you use technology such as IPADS or a smart board to assist with treatment?
- 27. Do you have an option to use online data collection I can view daily from home?
- 28. Do you provide any additional summer activities such as summer camps, splash day, or t-ball that promote age appropriate socialization and skills?
- 29. Do you provide before or after care hours that allow extended hours so that I can work? If so how much do these extended hours cost per hour?
- 30. Is the cost of training materials and reinforcers included in the cost of the program?
- 31. Do you file for insurance reimbursement?
- 32. What is your attendance policy? Do we have to pay for absences? Leaving early?