

HOW TO BE A SUCCESS AT WORKING WITH YOUR NANNY

A Checklist for the Nanny and Family; Suggestions for Clarification and Agreement.

I. Orientation

A. The Children

___ 1. Safety issues- The child/rcn's developmental stage and where that places them regarding hazards and danger. CPR and First Aid Certification.

___ 2. Discipline and Limit-Setting – What are your standards and expectations for behavior of your children? What are your rules and how do you set limits? What will the role of the nanny be?

___ 3. Scheduling of activities- What to do when: When to go where: what options to choose from. How much autonomy will nanny have – or how proactive should they be?

___ 4. Approaches – Describe the styles that will be most effective with each child.

___ 5. Priorities – What the preferred choices are in various circumstances that might arise.

___ 6. Food – What is encouraged/ discouraged; how to not use food as rewards; limits on sugar and salt; thoughts about “cleaning your plate “

___ 7. T.V. – Its use and limits.

___ 8. Review and solicit feedback on job description and how it is working.

B. The House

___ 1. Light housekeeping responsibilities- Reasonable and specific expectations and time tables. Adhere to agreed upon job description.

___ 2. Hands-on-Four _ Where everything is and how it works. What will nanny do in case of a power outage or a flood in basement, etc?

___ 3. The Nanny Room (for live-ins) – Is everything there for personal comfort and will privacy be respected?