

The Twist & Sprout Certificate recognizes the excellence of Minnesota child care providers who:

- Properly handle, label and store breast milk
- Have vegetables on their menus twice each day
- Serve family-style meals
- Provide adequate time for active play
- Have a wellness policy that addresses healthy eating, physical activity and breastfeeding support



The application is in two parts: 1. Complete a short questionnaire 2. Submit your documentation*

*The documentation required is a picture of a properly-labeled bottle, a week of menus, a picture of your table set family-style, a daily schedule and a wellness policy. Apply electronically, by mail or fax.

Recipients of the Twist & Sprout Certificate will receive:

- A certificate suitable for framing in their child care home
- A postcard to give to parents about their accomplishment
- Recognition on the Providers Choice website as a Twist & Sprout Certified child care program
- A marketing advantage for potential families
- The good feeling that they are doing what is best for children

To apply or find out more, visit <u>www.providerschoice.com/twistandsprout</u> or contact Kate Abernathy at kabernathy@providerschoice.com Twist & Sprout is an initiative of Providers Choice, Inc. and is supported with funding from the Center for Prevention at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota, the Cargill Foundation and the Statewide Health Improvement Program.

