NANNY vs. CRECHE?

This is a question faced by most parents at some stage, and there is really no clear-cut answer. There are advantages and disadvantages of both choices that need to be considered in light of the individual circumstances of each family.

Advantages of a Crèche:
- Stimulating environment
- Structured routine
- Social skills developed
- Convenience

Disadvantages of a Crèche:
- Contagious illnesses
- Limited individual attention
- Inflexible hours
- Under qualified staff?

Advantages of a Nanny:
- Less illnesses
- Individual attention
- Help with housework
- Secure familiar environment

Disadvantages of a Nanny:
- Absenteeism
- Labour issues
- Possible lack of social / intellectual stimulation

Once you have made the decision, there are a few more points to consider:
- If you choose a crèche, make sure that the staff are adequately trained, and that they have up to date qualified First Aiders, and a fully stocked First Aid Kit
- If you chose a Nanny, make sure that she is adequately trained in First Aid and has a good understanding of the principles of Basic Child Care and Developmental Stimulation.

If you need help with finding the perfect Nanny, EduCare Training and Placement Facility can help you by offering a choice of Nannies to interview and suitable training options to consider. EduCare will also help with the drawing up of a suitable contract and offer advice on the Conditions of employment Act requirements.

For more information, please contact the closest franchise to you.