

## Notice - “Accredited College or University” Definition

This notice is being provided by the Office of Child Care Licensing (OCCL) to clarify the definition of “accredited college or university” as stated in the newly adopted *Delacare: Rules for Early Care and Education and School-Age Centers* regarding qualifying for staff positions.

As of January 1, 2007, OCCL will ***only accept college or university degrees accredited by organizations recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE), or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).***

**To search for recognized accrediting organizations, see the following website:**

[http://www.chea.org/pdf/CHEA\\_USDE\\_AllAccred.pdf](http://www.chea.org/pdf/CHEA_USDE_AllAccred.pdf)

To search for accreditation information on a specific college use the following link:

<http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.aspx>