Tiered representation of shared and specialized standards for knowledge and competencies of professionals who work with young children.

**Tier 1:**
Shared Foundational Core of Knowledge & Competencies in Child Development (Fundamentals)

- High School Graduates
- 2-Year and 4-Year College Graduates Transitioning to Child Development and Early Learning Professions

**Tier 2:**
Shared Core of Knowledge & Competencies for Care and Education Professionals

- Differentiated/Specialized Knowledge & Competencies Specific to Sector and Role: Health Professionals; Social Workers; Other Social Services Professionals

**Tier 3:**
Shared Core of Knowledge & Competencies for Instructional and Other Practices Specific to Educators

- Differentiated/Specialized Knowledge & Competencies Specific to Role: Lead Educators, Master Educators, Coaches, Family Child Care Owner/Operators, Center/Program Directors, Principals

**Assistant Roles in Care and Education Settings**

**Entry Points into 0-8 Professional Roles**

- Practicing Care and Education Professionals
- Training or Practicing Health and Social Services Professionals