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## Aviano Flightline CDC Earns NAEYC Accreditation P

*Program recognized among the top in the nation by earning accreditation*

**Flightline Child Development Center** located at Aviano AB has successfully maintained accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) — the world's largest organization working on behalf of young children. NAEYC Accreditation is a rigorous and transformative quality-improvement system that uses a set of 10 research-based standards to collaborate with early education programs to recognize and drive quality-improvement in high-quality early learning environments. “We’re proud to have earned the mark of quality from NAEYC, and to be recognized for our commitment to reaching the highest professional standards,” said Tamar R. Taylor AYP Flight Chief.

To maintain NAEYC Accreditation, Flightline CDC went through an extensive self-study and quality-improvement process, followed by an on-site visit by NAEYC Assessors to verify and ensure that the program met each of the ten program standards, and hundreds of corresponding individual criteria. NAEYC-accredited programs are always prepared for unannounced quality-assurance visits during their accreditation term, which lasts for five years.

In the 30 years since NAEYC Accreditation was established, it has become a widely recognized sign of high-quality early childhood education. More than 6,000 programs are currently accredited by NAEYC — less than **10 percent** of all childcare centers, preschools, and kindergartens nationally achieve this recognition.

**Flightline CDC** has demonstrated their commitment to young children and military families.

*The Child and Youth Programs Mission is to assist DoD military and civilian personnel in balancing the competing demands of the accomplishment of the DoD mission and family life by managing and delivering a system of quality, available, and affordable programs and services for eligible children and youth from birth to 18 years of age.*

*Founded in 1926, the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) is a professional membership organization that works to promote high-quality early learning for all children, birth through age 8, by connecting practice, policy, and research. NAEYC advances a diverse, dynamic early childhood profession and supports all who care for, educate, and work on behalf of young children. Learn more at [www.naeyc.org](http://www.naeyc.org).*