

## Narrative of Monthly Report *October 2012*

For the month of October, the following are notable YoungStar statistics. Please note: beginning in October the data reporting system for YoungStar changed. Therefore, some statistics below are shown differently than in previous reports. If there is a marked effect on the data, that will be noted.

★ **Participation**

Participation in the program has remained steady over the past few months partial due to the implementation of tiered reimbursement which requires any child care program that cares for children in the Wisconsin Shares program to participate in YoungStar. We currently have 4,887 participating in YoungStar.

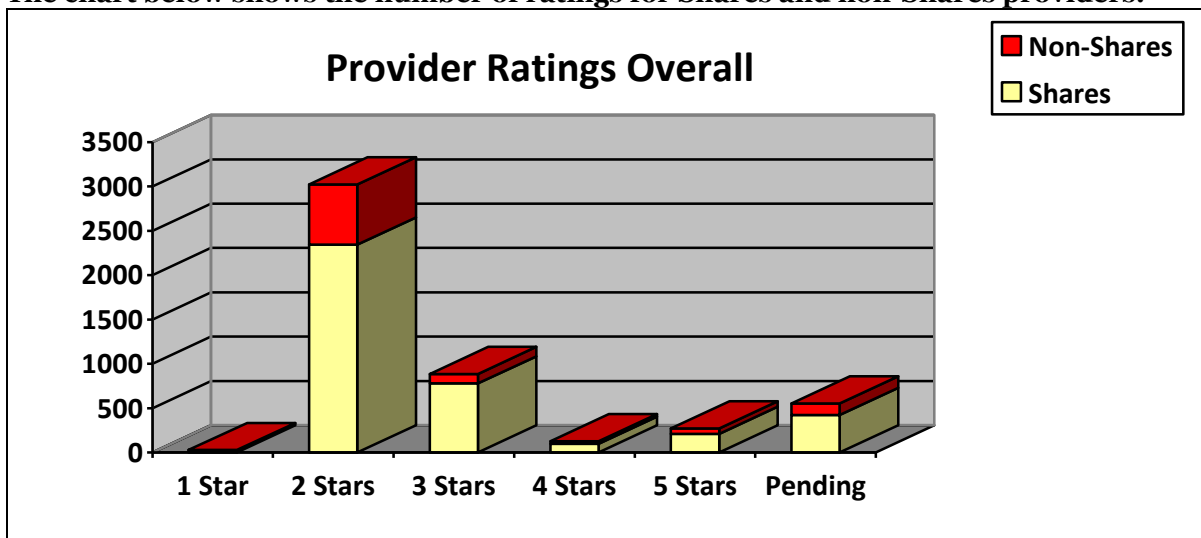
★ **Technical Consultation and Technical Rating Visits**

Through the month of October, YoungStar staff have made 11,795 individual visits to 3,470 programs. For the same time period, 3,268 technical rating visits have been completed with 2,065 programs. These statistics did not previously include programs that had closed or withdrawn from YoungStar. Those programs are now included in these statistics to show the overall work completed by YoungStar staff.

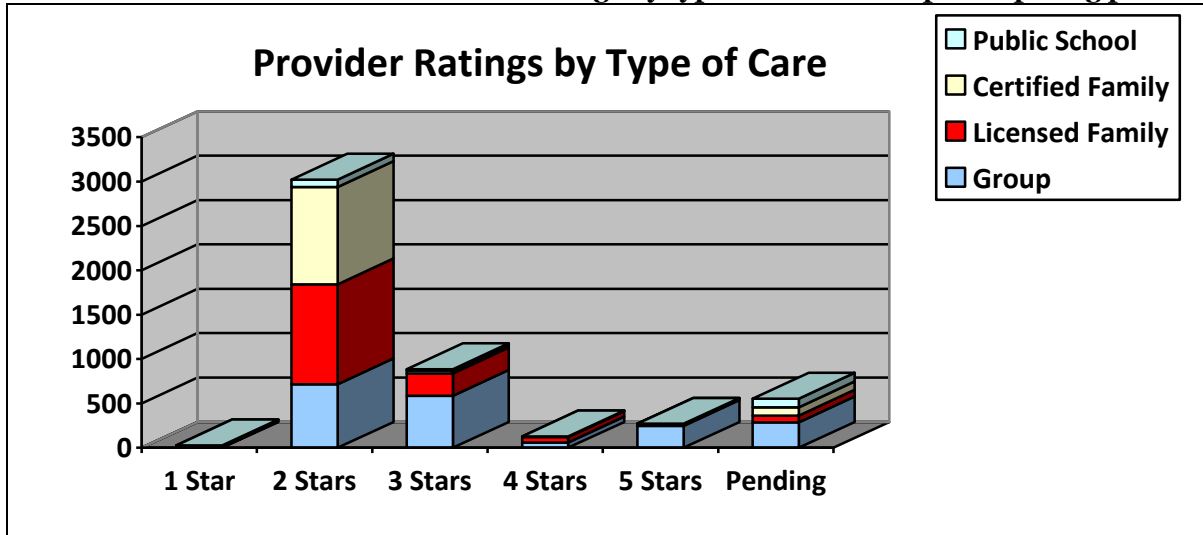
★ **Ratings**

We continue to see a small trend in the data and hear (anecdotally) that providers are choosing technical rating as opposed to automated rating. Through October, 68 providers were rated, bringing the total rated to date to 4,333.

The chart below shows the number of ratings for Shares and non-Shares providers.



The chart below shows the number of ratings by type of care for all participating providers.



The chart below shows the type of rating chosen by providers.

