Thank you for your interest in Gio’s Garden. This letter will give you more information about who qualifies for our services, and the process that you will go through to start receiving services. Gio’s Garden is also here as a resource for families. Even if you do not think you qualify, please give us a call and we can try to help you find other services that might fit your child’s needs. We look forward to working with you!

**What is Gio’s Garden?**
Gio’s Garden’s mission is to nurture and strengthen families with children with special needs. We provide recreational therapy, art therapy, and high quality, developmentally supportive therapeutic respite care services. These services are for families whose children are under the age of seven and have significant developmental or physical delays, yet are unable to access adequate respite care services at this time.

We are licensed by the State of Wisconsin’s Department of Children and Families as a Family Child Care Center to care for up to 8 children at any one time in our fun, home-like group setting that encourages growth through play and socialization. Our main location in Middleton is open from 8am-8pm, Monday through Saturday. We also provide respite at various other locations in the greater Madison area.

**Who qualifies?**
Gio’s Garden provides programs and services to children who are not otherwise able to access adequate respite care or therapeutic services, are on waitlists for county funding or don’t yet qualify for county funding.

**How does my child start?**
Gio’s Garden needs to have a completed registration packet for your child to begin services. This can either be mailed or emailed to the Gio’s Garden main office. Once the paperwork is received, Gio’s Garden staff will contact you to set up a Meet & Greet. During this meeting, you and your child will visit Gio’s Garden to explore the space, discuss care your child needs, and any goals you would like your child to work on while at Gio’s Garden. Once this meeting takes place, your child can begin services at Gio’s Garden.

**How can I contact Gio’s Garden?**

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We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely,

Gio’s Garden Staff