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RE: Reference Letter for Marly Driskell

Hello!

Congratulations! On your newest addition(s), or soon-to-be addition(s) to your families. Marly is absolutely one of the best investments that you can make towards building a foundation for excellent sleep-habits; and honestly, a bonus is that she will be there along the way at whatever capacity that you feel you need advice on regarding all-things "child-care."

Nanny Marly joined our family when our son turned three months old in August 2017. I was returning to work and knew I would need help with the overnight shifts. I wanted someone whom I truly felt at peace about, so I could benefit from sleep myself. Leaving your child in someone else's care feels unnatural (AT-FIRST!), and if we hadn't met Marly, I truly don't think we would have hired anyone else for the job. My return to work would have been that much more difficult but we were so lucky that we met Marly and made the decision to hire her. Marly is incredibly kind, dedicated (and absolutely loves what she does). She is nurturing, KNOWLEDAGBLE and reliable -- truly a real-life "Mary Poppins". Our son had severe acid reflux which included bouts of spitting-up. Marly gave us tips to ensure he was safely sleeping, but also as comfortable as possible. We had tried many brands of formula, and not until she recommended one, did we find one that worked with our son. That formula wasn't even on my radar until she came into our lives. Her depth of knowledge and expertise has been built over many years of experience and it shows from Day 1. Marly started when he was three-months old, and our son was sleeping through the night by his 6-month birthday. Marly not only helps in the moment but also in thinking ahead and offering valuable suggestions to create good habits and schedules for the baby. She has a wealth of information and references through her professional network for other services in the child-care industry: car seat experts, baby-proofing experts, even advice on baby gear and equipment that's available to parents but so hard to filter through. Marly is constantly working to improve her professional development by keeping up with NCS conferences and seminars. She's always looking for ways to expand and bring her knowledge to her families and babies because of how much she cares.

Fast-forward over a year later, and Nanny Marly is still in our lives. We've joked that we would love to have her in our lives until our son starts college. Honestly, we've become fast-friends and love that she still loves our son and is always willing to pick up the phone to help. She's a true gem and gift to the families who are lucky to know her.

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any other questions or would even prefer to hear first-hand. If we have another child, I am calling her the minute I know I'm pregnant!

Best,

Marissa F.