
Care 4 Kids Program



Program Operations TRANSMITTAL

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Subject: Center, Group Home, and Licensed-Exempt Providers Rate Increase

Program Issue: Center, Group Home, and Licensed-Exempt Providers serving Infants/Toddlers, Preschool, and School Age children reimbursement rates have not been increased in over 17 years which does not provide eligible families equal access to obtaining child care services.

Background: The rules governing payment calculations are contained in Section 17b-749-13 of the Child Care Assistance Program Regulations. The Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014 Pub. L. 113-186 § 98.45 requires states ensure payment rates for the provision of child care services are sufficient to ensure equal access for eligible families. Based on the 2018 Market Rate Study, the Office of Early Childhood developed a spending plan for increasing provider rates. The plan was submitted to and approved by the Office of Policy and Management.

Policy Directive: Rate increases for Child Care Center, Group Child Care Home, and Licensed-Exempt Providers are effective September 1, 2019:

- For child care center, group child care home, and licensed-exempt providers serving infant and toddler care, the rates will increase from the 2nd percentile to the 50th percentile,
- For child care center, group child care home, and licensed-exempt providers serving preschoolers, the rates will increase to the 25th percentile.

ImpaCT Child Care tables will be updated with the new rate increase and the rates will be implemented in accordance with the attached Weekly Provider Reimbursement Rate. Informational material and brochures that contain the reimbursement rates must be updated for future distribution, including the Care 4 Kids website.

Questions concerning this transmittal can be referred to Office of Early Childhood at 860-500-4421.

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The Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014 Pub. L. 113