

Sara Stolt, Interim Health and Human Services Commissioner North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 325 Bismarck, North Dakota 58502-0250

Dear Interim Health and Human Services Commissioner Stolt:

The Office of Child Care has completed its review of the proposed amendments to North Dakota's approved Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Plan for FFY 2022-2024, submitted on November 29, 2023.

This letter is to inform you that the following CCDF Plan amendments were approved:

Sections 3.2.1a and 3.2.1c. CCDF co-payments according to family size and effective date of the sliding-fee scale(s): Changes that affect CCDF administration and policies such as policy changes to program eligibility (e.g., changes in income eligibility levels), payment rates, sliding fee scales, effective October 01, 2023.

Section 4.3.3 Establishing tiered rates, differential rates, or add-ons on top of their base rates: Changes that affect CCDF administration and policies such as policy changes to program eligibility (e.g., changes in income eligibility levels), payment rates, sliding fee scales, effective November 01, 2023.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please feel free to contact Karen Knoll-Moran, Regional Program Manager in Region VIII at (303) 844-1164 or karen.knollmoran@acf.hhs.gov.

We appreciate your efforts to meet the child care needs of eligible families in North Dakota and look forward to our continued partnership in the administration of your Child Care and Development Fund Program.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by RUTH FRIEDMAN Date: 12/14/2023 9:55 AM EST

Ruth Friedman, Ph.D. Director Office of Child Care

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