



Early Childhood Services Advisory Board

June 28, 2023

HOUSEKEEPING

- ❖ Restrooms
- ❖ Phone calls
- ❖ Breaks



WELCOME!



ADVISORY BOARD MEETING AGENDA



1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Special Guests
 - Kay Larson Early Childhood Section Director
 - Jennifer Prince /Cassie Beise Professional Development
 - Emily Kerns CCAP Administrator
- Lunch Break---
3. Early Childhood Web Page
4. Proposed Rule Changes
5. Questions; Additional Discussion

EARLY CHILDHOOD SECTION

What we do



Licensing

- Issue licenses and certifications to early childhood programs in North Dakota
- Monitor compliance with early childhood health and safety regulations
- Maintain child care provider profiles for both licensing and resource/referral

Professional Development

- Maintain workforce registry in support of early childhood work force
- Provide technical assistance to providers to support health, safety and continuous quality improvement
- Provider start-up and expansion support

Quality

- Operation of Bright & Early – the ND quality rating improvement system
- Maintenance of early childhood standards and practices
- Assessment and validation of quality rated EC programs across ND

Best in Class

- Grant program to grow access to high quality EC experiences delivered in the year before kindergarten
- Targeted coaching and professional supports
- Active monitoring for fidelity to quality standards

Family Support and School Engagement

- Head Start Collaboration
- Part C Early interventions
- Part B 619
- Home Visitation
- Child Care assistance for lower income households
- Family education and outreach

EC Operations

- Early Childhood Integrated Data System
- Child Care Development Block Grant state plan
- EC Technology System coordination and support

SPECIAL GUESTS

- Kay Larson Early Childhood Section Director
- Emily Kerns CCAP Administrator
- Jennifer Prince Professional Development Administrator
Cassie Beise Provider Technical Assistance





Child Care Assistance Program Updates



Health & Human Services

CCAP Co-Pays

Child Care Assistance Program Sliding Fee Schedule
North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services
DN 241 (6-2023)

LL - Lower Income Limit
UL - Upper Income Limit
SMI - State Median Income

North Dakota Child Care Assistance Program Sliding Fee Schedule Effective July 1, 2023

| | Level 1 (10% of State Median Income) | | | Level 2 (20% SMI) | | | Level 3 (30% SMI) | | | Level 4 (40% SMI) | | | Level 5 (50% SMI) | | | Level 6 (60% SMI) | | | Level 7 (85% SMI) | | | |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---------|-------|-------------------|---------|-------|-------------------|---------|-------|-------------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|----------|--------------|---------|
| HH Size | LL | UL | Copay | LL | UL | Copay | LL | UL | Copay | LL | UL | Copay (6.0%) | LL | UL | Copay (7.0%) | LL | UL | Copay (7.0%) | LL | UL | Copay (7.0%) | HH Size |
| 1 | \$0 | \$464 | \$0 | \$465 | \$928 | \$0 | \$929 | \$1,392 | \$0 | \$1,393 | \$1,856 | \$112 | \$1,857 | \$2,320 | \$163 | \$2,321 | \$2,784 | \$195 | \$2,785 | \$3,944 | \$277 | 1 |
| 2 | \$0 | \$607 | \$0 | \$608 | \$1,214 | \$0 | \$1,215 | \$1,820 | \$0 | \$1,821 | \$2,427 | \$146 | \$2,428 | \$3,034 | \$213 | \$3,035 | \$3,641 | \$255 | \$3,642 | \$5,158 | \$362 | 2 |
| 3 | \$0 | \$750 | \$0 | \$751 | \$1,499 | \$0 | \$1,500 | \$2,249 | \$0 | \$2,250 | \$2,998 | \$180 | \$2,999 | \$3,748 | \$263 | \$3,749 | \$4,497 | \$315 | \$4,498 | \$6,371 | \$446 | 3 |
| 4 | \$0 | \$892 | \$0 | \$893 | \$1,785 | \$0 | \$1,786 | \$2,677 | \$0 | \$2,678 | \$3,569 | \$215 | \$3,570 | \$4,462 | \$313 | \$4,463 | \$5,354 | \$375 | \$5,355 | \$7,585 | \$531 | 4 |
| 5 | \$0 | \$1,035 | \$0 | \$1,036 | \$2,070 | \$0 | \$2,071 | \$3,105 | \$0 | \$3,106 | \$4,140 | \$249 | \$4,141 | \$5,176 | \$363 | \$5,177 | \$6,211 | \$435 | \$6,212 | \$8,798 | \$616 | 5 |
| 6 | \$0 | \$1,178 | \$0 | \$1,179 | \$2,356 | \$0 | \$2,357 | \$3,533 | \$0 | \$3,534 | \$4,711 | \$283 | \$4,712 | \$5,889 | \$413 | \$5,890 | \$7,067 | \$495 | \$7,068 | \$10,011 | \$701 | 6 |
| 7 | \$0 | \$1,205 | \$0 | \$1,206 | \$2,409 | \$0 | \$2,410 | \$3,614 | \$0 | \$3,615 | \$4,818 | \$290 | \$4,819 | \$6,023 | \$422 | \$6,024 | \$7,228 | \$506 | \$7,229 | \$10,239 | \$717 | 7 |
| 8 | \$0 | \$1,231 | \$0 | \$1,232 | \$2,463 | \$0 | \$2,464 | \$3,694 | \$0 | \$3,695 | \$4,926 | \$296 | \$4,927 | \$6,157 | \$431 | \$6,158 | \$7,388 | \$518 | \$7,389 | \$10,467 | \$733 | 8 |

CCAP Payment Rate Increases for Infants and Toddlers

Current FT State Rates

| Provider Type Provider Codes | Infant (Birth to 17 months) | Toddler (18 months to 2 years) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| CENTER C, E, K, M | \$913.33 \$228.33 (weekly) | \$888.00 \$222.00 (weekly) |
| LICENSED FAMILY/GROUP F, G, H | \$700.00 \$175.00 (weekly) | \$700.00 \$175.00 (weekly) |
| SELF-DECLARED/ TRIBAL REGISTERED S, R | \$462.00 \$115.50 (weekly) | \$429.00 \$107.25 (weekly) |

August 2023 FT State Rates

| Infant (Birth to 17 months) | Toddler (18 months to 2 years) |
|--|--|
| \$1,278.00 \$319.50 (weekly) | \$1,243.00 \$310.75 (weekly) |
| \$980.00 \$245.00 (weekly) | \$980.00 \$245.00 (weekly) |
| \$646.00 \$161.50 (weekly) | \$600.00 \$150.00 (weekly) |

CCAP Payment Rate Increases for Infants and Toddlers

Current PT State Rates

| Provider Type Provider Codes | Infant (Birth to 17 months) | Toddler (18 months to 2 years) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| CENTER C, E, K, M | \$900.00 \$225.00 (weekly) | \$824.00 \$206.00 (weekly) |
| LICENSED FAMILY/GROUP F, G, H | \$700.00 \$175.00 (weekly) | \$700.00 \$175.00 (weekly) |
| SELF-DECLARED/ TRIBAL REGISTERED S, R | \$277.20 \$69.30 (weekly) | \$257.40 \$64.35 (weekly) |

August 2023 PT State Rates

| Infant (Birth to 17 months) | Toddler (18 months to 2 years) |
|--|--|
| \$1,260.00 \$315.00 (weekly) | \$1,153.00 \$288.25 (weekly) |
| \$980.00 \$245.00 (weekly) | \$980.00 \$245.00 (weekly) |
| \$388.00 \$97.00 (weekly) | \$360.00 \$90.00 (weekly) |

QRIS Tiered Payments – Coming Soon

Providers with a quality rating higher than 1 will be eligible to receive an additional payment from CCAP.

- An additional 5% of the State Max Rate (SMR) will be paid to providers with a QRIS rating of 2.
- An additional 10% of the SMR will be paid to providers with a QRIS rating of 3.
- An additional 15% of the SMR will be paid to providers with a QRIS rating of 4

Market Rate Survey

- Partnering with NDSU
- Will be released in August 2023 by email
- Survey data collection must be completed within 3 months
- Final report will be available to the public in Spring of 2024

LUNCH BREAK

CAPITOL CAFÉ

SOUP

Chicken Noodle

Chili

THE GRILLE

Philly
Cheesesteak
\$8.99

SWEET PEPPERS DELI

Create Your
Own
Sandwich
\$6.50 (Full)
\$3.50 (Half)

| | |
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| Hamburger (387 Calories) | \$4.99 |
| Cheeseburger (491 Calories) | \$5.99 |
| Bacon Cheeseburger (577 Calories) | \$6.99 |
| Chicken Strips (3) (420 Calories) | \$4.99 |
| Grilled Chicken Sandwich (498 Calories) | \$4.99 |
| Grilled Cheese (492 SD/532 12 grain Calories) | \$4.99 |
| Veggie Burger (543 Calories) | \$4.99 |

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| Chicken Breast No Bun (211 Calories) | \$4.25 |
| Hamburger Patty No Bun (287 Calories) | \$4.25 |

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| Slice of Cheese (104 Calories) | \$1.50 |
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SIDES:

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| French Fries (373 Calories) | \$3.75 |
| Tater Tots (344 Calories) | \$3.95 |
| Potato Wedges (258 Calories) | \$3.95 |
| Onion Rings (200 Calories) | \$3.95 |
| Sweet Potato Fries (426 Calories) | \$3.95 |
| Cheese Curds (618 reg/636 spicy Calories) | \$4.75 |
| Batter fried Mushrooms (264 Calories) | \$4.75 |



WELCOME BACK!



CONSUMER EDUCATION WEBPAGE



REQUIRED State-Level CONSUMER INFORMATION

1

Child Care
Resource and
Referral Agencies

4

Deaths in Child
Care Settings
(Aggregate Data)

2

Licensing and
Monitoring
Process

5

Injuries in Child
Care Settings
(Aggregate Data)

3

Contact
Information for
Lead Agency

6

Child Abuse Cases
Child Care Settings
(Aggregate Data
on Substantiated
Cases)



REQUIRED Provider-Level CONSUMER INFORMATION

7

ZIP Code
Search

10

Three Years of
Monitoring Data

8

Monitoring
Reports

11

Date of Last
Inspection

9

Quality Rating

12

Corrective
Actions

CONSUMER EDUCATION WEBPAGE



1



Multiple
Languages

2



Formats
to Support
Individuals with
Disabilities

3



Plain
Language
Usage*

<https://www.hhs.nd.gov>

WHAT IS DRIVING RULE CHANGES IN 2023

- ❖ Align with state laws
- ❖ Provide clarity to existing rules
- ❖ Maintain consistency among all Early Childhood rules
- ❖ Remove unnecessary barriers
- ❖ Strengthen health & safety requirements to ensure high quality care
- ❖ Align with federal requirements/meet CCDF requirements



2023 SENATE AND HOUSE BILLS THAT IMPACT EARLY CHILDHOOD RULES



SB 2104

- An act to amend and reenact multiple sections in NDCC relating to Early Childhood Services.

SB 2082

- Refers to Food and Lodging: NDCC 23-09-16 Adding definition for child care programs that have 30 or fewer children from needing a food license or food code inspection.

HB 1144

- Creates and Enacts 50-11.1.02.4 requiring training for mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect and 50-11.1-03 Any hours of department-approved training related to child care which an applicant completes after submitting fees and application as required under subsection 8 must be counted toward the licensing annual requirements for the following year.

2023 RULE CHANGES

REVIEW HANDOUTS



REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST

SFN 10230

<https://www.nd.gov/eforms/Doc/sfn10230.pdf>

Submit completed form to Carmen Traeholt
at ctraeholt@nd.gov



NON-EMPLOYEE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT CLAIM

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

SFN 10230 (1-2022)

TYPE OR PRINT

• = Attach Receipt(s)

| | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Name | | | Date Submitted | |
| Address | | City | State | ZIP Code |
| Name of Board or Commission | | | Meeting/Seminar Date(s) | |
| TRAVEL TIME | Date of Departure From Home | Time of Departure From Home | Date of Return Home | Time of Return Home |
| INSTRUCTIONS Enter amount of expenses that you incurred in block to the right. Do not include automobile mileage unless you drove your own vehicle. Reimbursement is 58.5¢ per mile in North Dakota, 58.5¢ per mile to a geographic point 300 miles each way from the borders of the state, and 18¢ per mile for the remaining distance. Receipts must be attached to this form for all costs indicated by "•". Actual receipts are required; copies of credit card slips are not acceptable. Lodging for in-state is reimbursed at actual cost up to 90% of GSA rate/day plus additional state and local taxes applicable to the GSA rate; out-of-state is actual cost. "Other" costs must be explained and receipt(s) attached. | | Commercial Transportation Expense • | | |
| | | Taxi Fare (Receipt If Over \$10.00) • | | |
| | | Registration Fee (If Paid By You) • | | |
| | | Lodging • | | |
| | | Other - Explain: • | | |
| | | Automobile Mileage (Round Trip) | | |
| | | Automobile Mileage (Out-of-State) | | |
| Were meals included in registration fee? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Which? | | Number of Breakfasts | Number of Lunches | Number of Dinners |
| Explanation of Travel and Other Costs | | | | |
| ATTACH COPY OF MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT | | | Signature | |

Additional Discussion ?

Questions ?





Thank you!

