

Laura Howard, Secretary Kansas Department for Children and Families 555 S. Kansas Ave., 4th Floor Topeka, KS 66603-3444

Dear Secretary Howard:

The Office of Child Care has completed its review of the proposed amendments to Kansas's approved Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Plan for FFY 2022-2024, submitted on April 28, 2022.

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

- Section 3.1.3 Eligibility Criteria: Family Income Limits Amended the table to update income eligibility limits.
- Section 3.2.1 Family Contribution to Payments Amended to reflect changes to the CCDF co-payments chart and the sliding fee scale.
- Section 4.3.1 Setting Payment Rates Amended to reflect increase in Lead Agency's payment rates. Please note, compliance decisions for Section 4.3.1 are still pending, per the CCDF plan approval letter sent to the Lead Agency on December 14, 2021.
- Section 4.3.2 Factors to Differentiate Payment Rates Amended to reflect changes to the age groups used to set payment rates.
- Section 4.3.3 Establishment of Differential Rates Amended to reflect increases in payment rates identified for children with special needs.
- Section 4.3.4 Establishment of Adequate Payment Rates Amended to reflect increase in Lead Agency's payment rates. Please note, compliance decisions for Section 4.3.3 are still pending, per the CCDF plan approval letter sent to the Lead Agency on December 14, 2021.

The effective dates of April 1, 2022 for these amendments to the Kansas CCDF Plan are noted on the amendments log within the ACF-118 electronic submission site.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please feel free to contact Doris Hallford, Child Care Program Manager in our Kansas City Regional Office at (816) 426-2264 or doris.hallford@acf.hhs.gov.

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

Sincerely,

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