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Laura Howard, Secretary  
Kansas Department for Children and Families  
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Dear Secretary Howard:

The Office of Child Care has completed its review of the proposed amendment(s) to Kansas's conditionally approved Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Plan for 2019-2021, submitted on September 25, 2020.

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

- **Section 1.1.2 – CCDF Administrator** – Amended to reflect a change in the Lead Agency's CCDF Administrator.
- **Section 3.1.6 – Continuity of Care When Authorizing Child Care Services** – Amended to describe the use of part-time and full-time blocks for most child care plans to promote continuity and align with commonly used payment practices for providers.
- **Section 4.3.1 – Setting Payment Rates** – Amended the description of how child care rates are calculated, to include new procedures for determining part-time and full-time blocks for most child care plans.
- **Section 4.5.1 – Payment Practices** – Amended to reflect the use of part-time and full-time blocks of care for most childcare plans.

The following plan amendments were approved related to COVID-19:

- **Section 1.8.2 – Continuation of Child Care Subsidies After a Disaster** – Amended to include revisions in eligibility and determination policies and grant programming in response to the COVID-19 response.

The effective dates for these amendments are located 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](mailto:doris.hallford@acf.hhs.gov).

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

Sincerely,

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