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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

AGENDA

Date of Publication: May 6, 2024
Date and Time of Meeting: May 30, 2024, at 11:00 AM - Adjournment
Name of Organization: Division of Welfare and Supportive Services
Place of Meeting: 1470 College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89706; Room 149

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1. **Introduction:** Robert Thompson, Administrator, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services
2. **General Public Comments** (Because of time considerations, the period for public comment by each speaker or organization may be limited to three minutes and speakers are urged to avoid repetition of comments made by previous speakers.) *No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken.*
3. **For possible action:** Discussion and possible adoption of the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) State Plan amendment for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2025–2027 to include proposed COVID-related program activities.

Proposal to amend the 2025 – 2027 CCDF State Plan with the following:

A. Section 1 CCDF Program Administration

- a. CCDF Leadership
- b. CCDF Policy Decision Authority
- c. Consultation in the Development of the CCDF Plan

B. Section 2 Child and Family Eligibility and Enrollment and Continuity of Care

- a. Reducing Barriers to Family Enrollment and Redetermination
- b. Eligible Children and Families
- c. Prioritizing Services for Vulnerable Children and Families
- d. Lead Agency Outreach to Families Experiencing Homelessness, Families with limited English Proficiency, and Persons with Disabilities
- e. Promoting Continuity of Care

C. Section 3 Child Care Affordability

- a. Family Co-payments
- b. Calculation of Co-payments
- c. Waiving Family Co-payments

D. Section 4 Parental Choice, Equal Access, Payment Rates, and Payment Practices

- a. Access to Full Range of Provider Options
- b. Assess Market Rates and Analyze the Cost of Child Care
- c. Adequate Payment Rates
- d. Payment Practices to Providers
- e. Supply Building

E. Section 5 Health and Safety of Child Care Settings

- a. Licensing Requirements
- b. Ratios, Group Size, and Qualifications
- c. Health and Safety Standards for CCDF Providers
- d. Pre-Service or Orientation Training on Health and Safety Standards

- e. Monitoring and Enforcement of Licensing and Health and Safety Requirements
- f. Ongoing Health and Safety Training
- g. Comprehensive Background Checks
- h. Exemptions for Relative Providers
- F. **Section 6 Support for a Skilled, Qualified, and Compensated Child Care Workforce**
 - a. Supporting the Child Care Workforce
 - b. Professional Development Framework
 - c. Ongoing Training and Professional Development
 - d. Early Learning and Development Guidelines
- G. **Section 7 Quality Improvement Activities**
 - a. Quality Activities Needs Assessment
 - b. Use of Quality Set-Aside Funds
- H. **Section 8 Lead Agency Coordination and Partnerships to Support Service Delivery**
 - a. Coordination with Partners to Expand Accessibility and Continuity of Care
 - b. Optional Use of Combined Funds, CCDF Matching, and Maintenance-of-Effort Funds
 - c. Coordination with Child Care Resource and Referral Systems
 - d. Public-Private Partnerships
 - e. Disaster Preparedness and Response Plan
- I. **Section 9 Family Outreach and Consumer Education**
 - a. Parental Complaint Process
 - b. Consumer Education Website
 - c. Increasing Engagement and Access to Information
 - d. Providing Information on Developmental Screenings
- J. **Section 10 Program Integrity and Accountability**
 - a. Effective Internal Controls
 - b. Fraud Investigation, Payment Recovery, and Sanctions
- K. Public comment on proposed amendments
- L. Adoption of proposed amendments

Entities Financially Affected:

- The Child Care and Development State Plan amendment activities will be funded by the federal Child Care and Development Fund.

Anticipated financial impact on local government:

- There is no financial impact upon local government.

Effective Date: October 1, 2025

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5. Adjournment

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Mailing Date: May 9, 2024

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