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Dear Early Learning System Director Chatterjee:

The Office of Child Care has completed its review of the proposed amendments to Oregon's approved Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Plan for FFY 2022-2024, submitted on May 09, 2024.

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

Section 2.3.5a. Website link of providers searchable by Zip code: Changes to the lead agency consumer education or Plan website address, effective February 01, 2024.

Section 2.3.7c. Definition of "timely": Changes to the lead agency consumer education or Plan website address, effective February 01, 2024.

Section 2.3.7d. Monitoring and inspection reports in plain language: Changes to the lead agency consumer education or Plan website address, effective February 01, 2024.

Section 2.3.7g. Monitoring and inspection reports on website: 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 February 01, 2024.

Section 3.1.3b. Income eligibility limits at the time of initial determination: 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 March 01, 2024.

Section 3.1.3d. State Median Income (SMI) source and year: 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 March 01, 2024.

Section 3.1.3f. Effective date for income eligibility limits: 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 March

01, 2024.

- Section 3.2.1a. CCDF co-payments according to family size: 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 March 01, 2024.
- Section 3.2.1c. What is the 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 March 01, 2024.
- Section 3.3.3 Other priority groups: 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 January 01, 2024.
- Section 4.2.1 Statistically valid and reliable MRS or ACF pre-approved alternative methodology: 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 March 01, 2023.
- Section 4.2.3a. Approach to meeting benchmarks for MRS or pre-approved alternative methodology: 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 March 01, 2023.
- Section 4.2.6a. Report date containing results: 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 March 01, 2023.
- Section 4.2.6b. Availability of detailed report containing results: 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 March 01, 2023.
- Section 4.2.6c. Stakeholder views and comments in detailed report: 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 March 01, 2023.
- Section 4.3.1a. Rates statewide or in the most populous area of the state: 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 January 01, 2024.
  - Section 4.3.1d. Date of current payment rate: 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 January 01, 2024.

Section 4.3.4a. Establishment of adequate payment 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 January 01, 2024.

Section 4.3.4b. Process used for setting 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 January 01, 2024.

Section 4.3.6 Additional facts in determining payments 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 January 01, 2024.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please feel free to contact Paul Noski, Regional Program Manager in Region X at (206) 615-2609 or paul.noski@acf.hhs.gov.

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

Sincerely,

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