

## CCIDS\_Help\_Desk - Information Regarding Reinstatement of Child Care Benefits (G1)

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### New Caretaker Reinstatement of Eligibility Process (please share with caretakers)

In certain cases, a caretaker may apply for reinstatement of eligibility after child care benefits have been terminated.

Benefits of requesting reinstatement:

- Family maintains the same case number and swipe card
- Eligibility is determined at 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)

Rules for reinstatement include:

- Caretaker applies within 60 days from their case termination date
- Caretaker was determined eligible within the last 12 months
- Termination was due to income or interruption in employment, training, education
  - Please note: Reinstatement only applies for this subset of termination reasons – not all reasons for termination of benefits.
    - For example, caretakers who did not complete their redeterminations timely and/or did not submit all verifications required timely, WILL NOT be eligible for reinstatement at the 200% FPL. They could however apply through the regular application process at the 125% FPL.
- See other requirements as stated in Rule OAC 5101:2-16-30 (see below)

How caretakers apply for Reinstatement:

- The caretaker can use the new JFS 01126 (Request for Reinstatement) form, found at <http://www.odjfs.state.oh.us/forms/inter.asp>, when the conditions for reinstatement are met and the request for reinstatement will be submitted more than 45 days prior to the end of the original eligibility period.
- Caretakers MUST use the regular JFS 01138 Application for Child Care Benefits form (the county will process both a Reinstatement and a Redetermination) if the request for reinstatement will be submitted within the last 45 days of the original eligibility period.

Important!

- Providers will not be paid during gaps in authorizations – providers can seek private payment for continuation of care dates.
- If the caretaker's new income results in a higher co-pay, the new co-pay amount will be effective immediately.
- Providers can view authorizations on the PWeb – same as today. Future authorizations are viewable one day before the start date of authorization.
- Caretakers can be eligible for publically funded child care but be denied reinstatement. In these cases a regular JFS 1138 Application for Child Care Benefits

form is required and caseworkers will determine eligibility at the 125% FPL.

Other Notes:

- When caseworkers approve a request for reinstatement and enter new authorizations, providers (and caretakers) will receive an Approval of Reinstatement Notice.
- Providers will not receive a notice when a request for reinstatement is denied.

Rule OAC 5101:2-16-30

W) A caretaker may be eligible for reinstatement of child care benefits within sixty days following termination if the termination was due to income or because the caretaker's employment, training or education activity was interrupted. The caretaker must have been determined eligible within the last twelve months. The following requirements shall be met:

- (1) The caretaker shall not be required to complete a new JFS 01138 "Application for Child Care Benefits" (rev. 8/2011) unless the most recent twelve month period of eligibility will expire within forty-five days of the request for reinstatement.
- (2) The maximum monthly income limit for ongoing eligibility, as shown in the appendix to this rule, shall be used to determine income eligibility.
- (3) The copayment amount shall be based on the current income and household size.
- (4) The caretaker shall verify that he or she is engaged in a qualifying employment, education or training activity as required in this rule, and shall verify current income and household size.
- (5) The caretaker shall not have an outstanding overpayment unless a repayment plan is in place and the terms of the repayment plan are being met.