



## Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Child Care Child Care Advisory Council (CCAC)

February 20, 2013

Conference Call 1:00pm-2:00pm

### Check In

- January minutes will be approved at the CCAC monthly March meeting.

### Budget

- The child care budget has very few changes.
  - Maintaining eligibility 125% in 200% out.
  - Copayments will remain and provider rates will be maintained at the current level (base payment 26% of 2008 survey).
- The budget includes the Quality Budget (28 million); within that funding the Quality Achievement Awards (QAA) are maintained at their current level and the direct service budget assumes continuing the enhanced subsidy payment for quality programs.
  - With the new system and QAA, enhanced subsidy will continue with the 5 levels; the rates will be comparable. The percentages that may increase due to publicly funded programs that are currently rated we do not have to share. It may be possible to provide the percentages at the CCAC monthly March meeting.
- The QAA formula will change to reflect the 5 levels. Currently, the enrollment of publicly funded child care is point in time; the roll out of 5 levels will look at capacity instead of enrollment (the base payment and six months of payment data, averaging the 26 weeks to determine what the publicly funded multiplier should be). ODJFS hopes to eliminate the peaks and valleys and will exclude values that have zero with payment.
- Currently, programs with multiple shifts (AM and PM session) have been counted twice in the system then added together to determine enrollment; ODJFS will now review capacity so this can impact the base payment for multiple shift programs. Base payment is a set dollar amount of the number of publicly funded child care multiplied by the rating dollar amount. Those without an ODJFS provider agreement may see a decrease in their QAA.
  - Language changes the background check to every five years to match the current requirement for those licensed with an ODE teacher license.
  - Child Care budgets and Early Learning Challenge Grant (ELCG) budgets planned funding targeted to those additional programs within SUTQ eligible to receive a QAA.
  - ODE is not eligible for QAA but how ODE and ODJFS review classrooms and groups to assess quality will be looked at the same way. If ODE were able to utilize QAA, the hope would be to use the same formula yet there aren't any future plans to have them.
  - OIS cuts will not impact the ability to complete system enhancements going forward. There is a shift of resources but, child care does not rely on cost pooling; child care budgets system enhancements within our budget (mostly ELCG).

### SUTQ Implementation

- An email notification was sent notifying providers the Draft Type A Home Program Standards are available for review until February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

- Early/Mid-March a joint training with ODE and ODJFS staff will be conducted to review the final standards. Final approvals from ODJFS, the superintendent and the Governor's office are in process. Mid-March both the Type A Home Program Standards and Center Program Standards will be released along with a number of tools, trainings, and online materials to better explain policy.
- This information will be further reviewed at the CCAC monthly March meeting in order to receive feedback from the council on the next pieces of information and tools that would be helpful to the field.
  - On track for a July rollout: Finalizing the implementation timeline and anticipating by Mid-March we will have a revised timeline.

### **Early Learning Challenge Grant (ELCG)**

- Thank you to the CCAC Policy and Rule Committee we have not overlapped the Draft Type A Program Standards survey and the SUTQ two and three star survey.
- ODJFS will send out the two and three star survey out by the end of the week to receive information regarding an ELCG pilot on how to create incentives, idea to increase the number of PFCC served in highly rated programs.
- The second pilot is around family copayment and a proposal is prepared for the Governor's office.
- The assessment system ODE committee recommendations have been submitted.
- The revisions to the Core Knowledge and Competency document and instructor guide have begun.
  - The committees Lisa Baker was soliciting are being convened. Staff will contact Lisa to send a status update regarding all committees and who is on each for CCAC distribution.

### **Policy**

- The state of the Union address President Obama discussed Early Childhood Education.
- Received a question around sequestration and what does that mean for child care. There has been no official word from administration based on the impact. ODJFS believes it may be a cut to our discretionary funds in the CCDF block grant which can be around 4 million dollars; there has been no official word from the feds.
- A rule package, containing Federal Poverty Level (FPL), just finished clearance and many comments were around sign in/out and parent signatures; this package and policies will be effective in May. The system is being reviewed to change the table and increase to the FPL released last week for 2013 effective May.
- Sign in/out comments were examined and ODJFS will review policy and that package to determine a different way to implement policies and expectations. ODJFS will review the policy around parent responsibility with utilizing Ohio ECC and increase the language around the PIN number to serve as an electronic signature. At March, ODJFS will share this with the council.

### **Check Out**

- As a reminder, as an advisory council it is our responsibility to advise the department. As you look through the budget please come prepared to advise staff.
- Next Meeting: March 20, 2013.

**Child Care Advisory Council**  
**February 20, 2013**  
**Attendance**  
*(All attendees by phone)*

Key:  Present       Absent

<b>Members</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chris Humphrey, Chair, Community Professional		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Alicia Leatherman, Division of Child Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pam Perrino, Community Professional
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracy Bope, Fairfield CDJFS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Julie Piazza-King, Not for Profit
<input type="checkbox"/>	Teri Brannum, Community Professional	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Terri Raneri, Type A
<input type="checkbox"/>	Marjorie Crouse, Parent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Renee Saam, Allen CDJFS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nicky Foster, Proprietary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Paula Selway, Not for Profit
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sandra Foster, Cuyahoga CDJFS	<input type="checkbox"/>	David Smith, Not for Profit
<input type="checkbox"/>	Asyia Haile, Type B	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sarah Stertzbach, Parent
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tasha Johnson, Not for Profit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amy Story, Hamilton CDJFS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joseph Krasno, Stark CDJFS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lolita Wallace, Franklin CDJFS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Louanna Leonard, Proprietary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Elaine Ward, Community Professional
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gail Montana, Type B	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kate Watson, Parent
<b>Ex-Officio Members:</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Katrina Bush, DODD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Diane Saunders, ODE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Melissa Courts, ODH	<input type="checkbox"/>	James Scott, ODE, Head Start
<input type="checkbox"/>	Marlene Fields, ODE	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan Sokolnicki, Commerce
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marla Himmeger, ODMH		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ron Johnson, State Fire Marshall		
<b>ODJFS, DCC Staff:</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cara Lee, BCCD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie Shafer, CCAS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Michelle Albast, BCCD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stacey Zack, DCC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Janene Kehl, DCC	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Guests:</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jerianne Gooding, Sunny Day Academy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Julie Thorner, OACCP & Mini University
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amy Eldridge, Ohio AEYC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Barbara Smith, Program of Pathways of Central Ohio
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael Batchelder, AFSCME	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Karen Lampe, Creative World Child Care <i>phone</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kim Tice, Ohio AEYC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Linda Day-Mackessy, YMCA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Maureen Boggs, COAD- CCR&R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Linda, Neugebauer, Early Care & Learning Inc.
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