



Office of Family Assistance
Bureau of Child Care Policy & Technical Assistance

**Notice of Comment Period and Public Hearing for Ohio's
Child Care and Development Fund State Plan
FFY 2019 – 2021**

Ohio's publicly funded child care program is funded, in part, with federal dollars received through the Child Care and Development Fund by the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). These funds are appropriated to Ohio as part of the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) which outlines the requirements that must be met in order to receive the funding. Ohio is required to complete and submit a State Plan that describes the policies in place and the work that has been completed to meet the CCDBG requirements. It also certifies how Ohio will continue to implement the requirements over the next three years. The State Plan is the primary mechanism that ACF uses to determine state and territory compliance with the requirements of the laws and rules.

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Bureau of Child Care Policy & Technical Assistance is posting the proposed Child Care and Development Fund State Plan for public comment from April 26, 2018 – May 17, 2018. Additionally, a public hearing will be held for comment and testimony on Thursday, May 17, 2018. The draft State Plan is available at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/cdc/BCCD.stm>

In accordance with federal child care regulations, states must hold a public hearing prior to submitting their Child Care and Development Fund State Plan. Ohio must submit its plan to the Department of Health and Human Services by June 30, 2018.

Representatives from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services will be available at this public hearing to answer questions about Ohio's proposed plan for implementing the Child Care and Development Fund. The date, time and location of the public hearing is:

Thursday, May 17, 2018
Beginning at 10:00 a.m. until all testimony is heard
4020 E. 5th Avenue, 1st Floor, Room A118, Columbus, Ohio 43219

All testimony and comments on the proposed state plan will be taken through the public comment period or at this public hearing and must be in writing. Written testimony or comments can be submitted electronically via email to ODJFS_Childcare@jfs.ohio.gov or faxed to (614) 728-0761 by 5 p.m. on **May 17, 2018** or in-person at the public hearing.

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