

### What Can a Publicly Funded Child Care Program Charge a Caretaker?

Publicly funded child care (PFCC) programs are required to follow the terms of the JFS 01144 "Provider Agreement for Publicly Funded Child Care Services." By signing the agreement with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS), the provider agrees to all services and requirements outlined in the agreement. PFCC requirements can be found in [Chapter 5101:2-16](#) of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). \*This document was updated to clarify information.

#### ***Providers agree to:***

- ✓ Accept the payment amount in accordance with rule 5101:2-16-09 OAC
- ✓ Accept the payment amount for all covered services as payment in full and will not seek payment from the individual for the difference between the payment rate and the provider's customary charge when the customary charge is higher

#### ***Which type of fees may a provider charge the caretaker?***

- ✓ Late Fees
- ✓ Activity Fees
- ✓ Transportation Fees
- ✓ Charges for absent days that exceed those eligible for payment from the ODJFS
- ✓ Charges for hours of care that exceed those authorized **5101:2-16-10(M)(1), OAC**

#### ***As a provider, I cannot....***

- ⊘ Charge the family more than their copay
- ⊘ Charge a registration fee to caretakers **5101:2-16-10(M)(1), OAC**
  - Providers may receive an annual \$25 registration fee from the ODJFS for each child who received PFCC from the provider in the previous year. For approved day camps, the camp needed to have had a valid provider agreement as of August 30<sup>th</sup> of the previous year.
- ⊘ Charge the difference between the program's registration fee and what the ODJFS provides