

## Child Care Counts: COVID-19 Supplementary Payment Program Round 2

## Terms and Conditions

## Payment Program A: Providing Safe, Healthy, and High-Quality Child Care Opportunities

- I certify that all information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I certify that my program is currently open, or that I plan to reopen by 12/14/20.
- I understand that in order to be eligible for this program I must have had:
  - Licensed Group Centers, Licensed Day Camps, and Public School Programs: During 10/11/20 10/17/20, at least 1/3 of *enrolled* children are age 5 or under.
  - Regulated Family Providers: During 10/11/20 10/17/20, at least 1 enrolled child age 5 or under.
- I understand that the Department of Children and Families may monitor and review my use of program funds.
- If I receive funding for Program A Providing Safe, Healthy, and High-Quality Child Care Opportunities I agree to the following:
- I will use the funds to support the costs of maintaining or enhancing high-quality care.
- I will follow the health and safety administrative rules for child care providers as outlined by <a href="DCF Child">DCF Child</a> <a href="Care Regulation">Care Regulation</a> and meet the requirements of any local orders.
- I will use the funds for the following purposes:
  - · Mortgage/rent
  - Utilities
  - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
  - Materials/supplies for cleaning and sanitation
  - Materials/supplies for enhancing the program environment, curriculum, and family engagement activities
  - Professional development and/or continuing education
  - Structural changes/modifications to meet compliance guidelines or enhance the program environment
- I will keep all original, supporting documentation related to how this funding was spent, including but not limited to:
  - · Mortgage/rent statements
  - Utility statements
  - Original invoices and/or receipts for purchases of materials/supplies including but not limited to:
    - PPE, cleaning and sanitation materials, supplies, and services
    - Materials and supplies for enhancing the program environment, curriculum, and family engagement activities
    - Materials, supplies, and labor for structural changes and modifications
    - Educational supplies and learning materials
- I understand that DCF reserves the right to request documentation of use of this funding for review or audit purposes up to five (5) years after I receive the funds. I agree to promptly supply this documentation upon request.
- I understand that DCF may require repayment of funds disbursed if terms and conditions are not met, and I agree to repay the funds if I fail to meet the terms and conditions of the program.

## Payment Program B: Funding Staff Recruitment and Retention Efforts

- I certify that all information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I certify that my program is currently open, or that I plan to reopen by 12/14/20.
- I understand that in order to be eligible for this program I must have had:
  - Licensed Group Centers, Licensed Day Camps, and Public School Programs: During 10/11/20 10/17/20, at least 1/3 of *enrolled* children are age 5 or under.
  - Regulated Family Providers: During 10/11/20 10/17/20, at least 1 enrolled child age 5 or under.
- I understand that the Department of Children and Families may monitor and review my use of program funds.

If I receive funding for **Program B - Funding Staff Recruitment and Retention Efforts** I agree to the following:

- I will use the funds to support the costs associated with recruiting and retaining high-quality staff by providing incentive pay or sign-on bonuses to current or future employees with approved background checks.
- I will follow the health and safety administrative rules for child care providers as outlined by DCF Child Care Regulation and meet the requirements of any local orders.
- I understand that the payment is comprised of a base amount and a per-staff amount, and I will
  use the funds as follows:
  - I will use the awarded per-staff funds to increase pay (in form of a bonus or wage increase) for all individuals (employees or myself as a family provider) that were listed on the application.
  - I will use the awarded base amount funds towards staff recruitment or ongoing support for staff.
- I will keep all original, supporting documentation related to how this funding was spent, including but not limited to:
  - Employee payroll registers or other payroll system substantiation of pay rate increase
  - Communications/notification to employees of wage increase or personnel policy explaining wage increase
- I understand that DCF reserves the right to request documentation of use of this funding for review or audit purposes up to five (5) years after I receive the funds. I agree to promptly supply this documentation upon request.
- I understand that DCF may require repayment of funds disbursed if terms and conditions are not met, and I agree to repay the funds if I fail to meet the terms and conditions of the program.