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Janet McLaughlin, Deputy Commissioner  
Vermont Department for Children and Families  
280 State Drive, NOB 1 North  
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Dear Deputy Commissioner McLaughlin:

The Office of Child Care has completed its review of the proposed amendments to Vermont's approved Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Plan for FFY 2022-2024, submitted on June 28, 2024.

This letter is to inform you that the following CCDF Plan amendments were approved.

**Section 3.1.8 Eligibility criteria at the time of eligibility determination and redetermination:** Changes that affect CCDF administration and policies such as policy changes to program eligibility (e.g., changes in income eligibility levels), payment rates, sliding fee scales, effective October 01, 2023. Approval of this amendment indicates that Vermont's CCDF Plan demonstrates compliance with the Final Rule and clears related monitoring finding for 98.68(c).

**Section 3.2.1a. CCDF co-payments according to family size:** Changes that affect CCDF administration and policies such as policy changes to program eligibility (e.g., changes in income eligibility levels), payment rates, sliding fee scales, effective April 07, 2024.

**Section 3.4.1a. Policies and procedures relating to a minimum 12-month eligibility period:** Changes to indicate compliance with a monitoring or Plan noncompliance finding (may be a change in process or practice, like adding information on training), effective June 28, 2024. Approval of this amendment indicates that Vermont's CCDF Plan demonstrates compliance with the Final Rule and clears related monitoring finding for 98.21(a)(1).

**Section 4.3.1a. Rates statewide or in the most populous area of the state:** Changes that affect CCDF administration and policies such as policy changes to program eligibility (e.g., changes in income eligibility levels), payment rates, sliding fee scales, effective June 30, 2024.

**Section 4.3.1d. Date of current payment rate:** Changes that affect CCDF administration and policies such as policy changes to program eligibility (e.g., changes in income eligibility levels), payment rates, sliding fee scales, effective June 30, 2024.

Section 4.3.1f. Provide the citation, or link, if available, to the payment rates: Changes that affect CCDF administration and policies such as policy changes to program eligibility (e.g., changes in income eligibility levels), payment rates, sliding fee scales, effective June 30, 2024.

Section 4.4.1b. Delinking payments from attendance: Changes that affect CCDF administration and policies such as policy changes to program eligibility (e.g., changes in income eligibility levels), payment rates, sliding fee scales, effective June 30, 2024.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please feel free to contact Samantha Reinstein, Regional Program Manager in Region I at (617) 565-1149 or [Samantha.Reinstein@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:Samantha.Reinstein@acf.hhs.gov).

We appreciate your efforts to meet the child care needs of eligible families in Vermont and look forward to our continued partnership in the administration of your Child Care and Development Fund Program.

Sincerely,

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