



September 18, 2023

Child Care Manual Procedural Letter No. 167

TO: All Child Care Manual Holders

FROM: Matt Damschroder, Director

SUBJECT: Changes to the JFS 01144 "Provider Agreement for Publicly Funded Child Care Services"

Background:

Programs that intend to serve children through the publicly funded child care (PFCC) program must log on to the Ohio Child Licensing and Quality System (OCLQS) to complete a provider agreement with Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS).

New Policy:

The JFS 01144 "Provider Agreement for Publicly Funded Child Care Services" has been revised to implement changes and update language. The following changes were made:

- Removed spacing error.
- New Article – New Article 42 added a statement for programs choosing to participate in special programs implemented by ODJFS.
- Updated Child Care Help Desk contact information.

Implementation:

- Current PFCC programs will not be required to sign a new agreement.
- Any program that does not agree with an article in the provider agreement, or no longer wishes to provide PFCC services, may terminate their agreement by logging on to the OCLQS Portal.
- The updated JFS 01144 "Provider Agreement for Publicly Funded Child Care Services" will be available on the OCLQS Portal on or after September 30, 2023.
- Any child care program signing an agreement on or after September 30, 2023, will sign the updated agreement.

Please contact the Child Care Policy Help Desk at 1-877-302-2347, option 4, if you have any questions.

