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Child Care Manual Procedure Letter No. 175

TO: All Child Care Manual Holders

FROM: Matt Damschroder, Director

SUBJECT: Co-Payment Amounts During the Minimum 12-Month Period for Homeless and Protective Child Care Cases

Background:

The Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) requires that states cannot increase a family's copayment during the twelve-months they are eligible for publicly funded child care (PFCC). Per rule, when a family is no longer receiving protective child care or homeless child care, their copayment can be increased, during the twelve-month eligibility period. This rule conflicts with the federal requirement.

For all other cases, as required federally and in current rule, copayments determined at the initial application do not increase during the twelve-month eligibility period.

Implementation:

For changes reported on or after the effective date of this letter, copayments for all families, including those with a protective or homeless child care case, will not have their copayments increased during the current twelve-month eligibility period.

Rule 5101:2-16-05 will be revised in the future to remove section (D)(4).

Questions:

Please contact the Child Care Policy Help Desk at childcarepolicy@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov or 1-877-302-2347, option 4, if you have any questions.

