

The State of New Jersey

Department of Human Services

Division of Family Development

and

Department of Children and Families

Office of Licensing

License Exempt Child Care Provider

Critical Dates

Critical Dates – March 31, 2016

Submission of the below to the Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) Agencies:

- ✓ **Certificate of Occupancy**
- ✓ **Fire Inspection Certificate**
- ✓ **Program written policies – specific to address prevention and control of infectious diseases**
- ✓ **Written policies or handbook outlining staff health and safety training requirements**

Critical Dates – March 31, 2016

A courtesy Life/Safety Inspection by Office of Licensing (OOL) must be completed by May 31, 2016.

Courtesy Life/Safety Inspection Goals

- **To inform about the licensing process; and**
- **To provide technical assistance.**

Compliance Review Process

June – August 2016

**Providers will receive
compliance notice and
next steps**

OCTOBER 2016

**Compliance with Provisions of the
Child Care Development Block
Grant (CCDBG) Reauthorization
Act 2014**

CCDBG Reauthorization Act

The CCDBG Act of 2014 was signed into law on November 19, 2014 and authorizes the federal child care subsidy program known as Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) program.

CCDBG Reauthorization Act

The CCDBG Act made expansive changes to the CCDF program to:

- protect the health and safety of children in child care;
- better inform parents and the general public about child care services and choices; and
- improve overall quality of early learning and afterschool programs.

Summary of Key Features of CCDBG Reauthorization

Monitoring

Comprehensive Criminal Background Check

Staff to Child Ratio Standards

Training & Professional Development Requirements

Family Protection and Eligibility Policies

Enhanced Quality Consumer Education

Focus on Infants and Toddlers

Provider Payment Practices

CCDBG Critical Effective Dates

- Compliance with pre-service/orientation health and safety trainings **October 2016**
- Monitoring of licensing and regulatory requirements for CCDF providers **Nov. 19, 2016**
- Criminal Background Checks for all providers **September 30, 2017**
- Posting results of monitoring and inspection reports on public website **November 19, 2017**

CCDBG Reauthorization Act

Please go to the website to get the full listing of the CCDBG Law and changes –

www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/occ/ccdf-reauthorization

DFD will be publishing new rules, policies and guidance in alignment with the CCDBG Reauthorization Act and Final CCDF Rules.