



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
CONCISE SUMMARY
OF PROPOSED NON-TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS**

CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.6, following is a concise explanatory statement:

AGENCY: Department of Human Services

DIVISION: Office of Child Care Licensing

RULE IDENTIFIER: 218-RICR-70-00-1

RULE TITLE: Child Care Center and School Age Program Regulations for Licensure

REASON FOR RULEMAKING: This rule is being amended to specify the requirement for “pediatric” first aid training for child care providers. § 1.10 (G) (12) (b) of this rule currently states "basic" first aid is required which is not in compliance with CCDF regulations. This change is in accordance with 45 CFR 98.41(a)(1)(x) which requires "pediatric" first aid training.

ANY FINDING REQUIRED BY LAW AS A PREREQUISITE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RULE: None

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS: One comment was received during the Public Comment Period: *“As a AHA BLS Instructor, I instruct many child care centers. And for many years I would teach First Aid per AHA recommended guidelines to cover all age groups. I am curious as to why this is being changed specifically to Pediatric First Aid and to whom has made this proposal? Would this also require a Pediatric First Aid card as opposed to a Basic First Aid card? If I read the regulations correctly, employees should be familiar with basic first aid but it is not a requirement of RI General Law (as it is in Massachusetts).*

Just looking for clarification so we can be sure we are doing the right thing for our clients.”

CHANGE TO TEXT OF THE RULE: There are no changes being made to this rule.

REGULATORY ANALYSIS: None