RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Title of Rule: Family Child Care Home Regulations for Licensure

Rule Identifier: 218-RICR-70-00-2

Rulemaking Action: Proposed Amendment

Important Dates:
Date of Public Notice: 11/26/2021
Hearing Date: 12/09/2021
End of Public Comment: 12/26/2021

Authority for this Rulemaking:
R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-12.5
R.I. Gen. Laws § 40-13.2

Summary of Rulemaking Action:
§ 2.1.4-added definition of "Stable Groups"§ 2.3.2(Q)-Added Pandemic Language

Additional Information and Comments:
All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until December 26, 2021 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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Public Hearing:
A public hearing, in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, to consider the proposed amendment shall be held on December 9, 2021 at 6:00 pm at Louis Pasteur Building, 25 Howard Avenue, Bldg. 57, West Wing Conference Room, Cranston, RI 02920 at which time and place all persons interested therein will be heard. The seating capacity of the room will be enforced and therefore the number of persons participating in the hearing may be limited at any given time by the hearing officer, in order to comply with safety and fire codes.

The place of the public hearing is accessible to individuals who are handicapped. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captioners) is needed, or any other

accommodation to ensure equal participation, please call 800-745-6575 or RI Relay 711 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting so arrangements can be made to provide such assistance at no cost to the person requesting.

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:
This amendment will allow Family Child Care Providers to safely stay open/reopen in the event of a declared pandemic.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation see agency contact person above.