

RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Title of Rule: Child Care Assistance Program Rules and Regulations (218-RICR-20-00-4)

Rule Identifier: 218-RICR-20-00-4

Rulemaking Action: Direct Final Amendment

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: January 25, 2024

End of Public Comment: February 24, 2024

Rulemaking Authority:

RIGL 42-12-23

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

This amendment updates language regarding cooperation with Office of Child Support Services, allowing for continued eligibility during the twelve (12) month certification period when there is non-cooperation with OCSS. This change meets the CCDF regulation that requires certification periods of no less than 12 months (45 C.F.R. §98.21 Eligibility Determination Processes). In addition, removing the FPL chart and adding a link streamlines the rule.

§4.3.3 (A) and § 4.3.3(A)(2) removed “closure or”

§4.6.1 (C)(1)(e)) Removed FPL Chart and added link to chart on DHS website.

The Agency does not expect this filing to be controversial and therefore, a public hearing will not be held.

Additional Information and Public Comments:

If no formal objection is received on or before February 24, 2024, the Department of Human Services will file the Amendment and the Final Rule will take effect on this date.

Objections should be addressed to:

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Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

The Child Care Assistance Program is designed to improve child welfare and provide low-income children access to care in a time where they need it most.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staffperson listed above.