

**State of Rhode Island**  
**Department of Administration**  
**Office of Management and Budget**

Fiscal Note for Proposed Administrative Rules (R.I.G.L. § 22-12-1.1)

**Name of Administrative Rule: Child Care Assistance Program for Child Care Educators and Child Care Staff Rules and Regulations (218-RICR-20-00-13)**

<b>FISCAL IMPACT</b>					
<b>State Revenues</b>		<b>State Expenditures</b>		<b>City/Town Expenditures</b>	
FY 2026	\$	FY 2026	<b>\$1,486,595.40</b>	FY 2026	\$
FY 2027	\$	FY 2027	<b>\$2,522,410.37</b>	FY 2027	\$
FY 2028	\$	FY 2028	<b>\$2,526,484.19</b>	FY 2028	\$

**Summary of Policy Change:** The Rhode Island Department of Human Services is looking to update Child Care Assistance Program for Child Care Educators and Child Care Staff Rules and Regulations to stay in line with federal guidelines and increase time frame based on the FY26 state budget. The two main policy changes include a 24 month certification to align with traditional CCAP regulations, and the need to apply for traditional CCAP first to ensure they do not qualify before they can apply for this pilot.

**Summary of State Fiscal Impact:** The fiscal impact to the state includes costs associated with new and current pilot participants shifting to 24-month eligibility. New and current pilot participants <= 261% FPL will be required to apply for traditional CCAP to ensure they do not qualify prior to applying for the continuation pilot. Once approved, the costs associated for this group are for copayments only as traditional CCAP will absorb the cost of tuition. The estimate also includes the full cost (tuition and copay) of new and current pilot participants >261% FPL and <= 300 FPL who will apply for the 24-month program. Current pilot participants cannot apply for 24-month certification until their current eligibility expires. The funding for these changes is coming from federal CCDF money.

**City or Town Impact:** There is no city or town impact for this policy change.

Approved by CFO on 8.15.25