

## **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:** Individual and Family Supports

**RULE IDENTIFIER**: 218-RICR-20-00-13

**RULE TITLE:** Child Care Assistance Program for Child Care Educators and Child Care Staff Rules and Regulations

**REASON FOR RULEMAKING:** The Rhode Island Department of Human Services is updating the 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.

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

**TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS:** There were no comments received.

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

**REGULATORY ANALYSIS**: In the development of the proposed amendment, consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.