



## **Management Bulletin 20-14**

### **Guidance Regarding the Temporary Extension of Emergency Childcare Services, Transition into Ongoing Childcare Services, and Assessment of Family Fees for Essential Workers and At-risk Populations**

This Management Bulletin (MB) rescinds and replaces MB 20-06A, which set forth directives for “Emergency Childcare” services for essential workers and other designated populations. This MB provides guidance to state-subsidized Early Learning and Care programs on the extension of services for families whose children were enrolled in Emergency Childcare during the 2019-20 fiscal year and the assessment of Family Fees beginning July 1, 2020. This MB also provides guidance for the transition and prioritization of enrolling eligible families into ongoing childcare services in fiscal year 2020-21.

Below is an overview of the items this MB covers in depth. Please review [MB 20-14](#) for complete guidance.

#### **MB 20-14 covers the following areas:**

- **Directive** - New enrollments of children into Emergency Childcare after June 30, 2020 are not permissible.
  - **Continuation for Emergency Childcare for Children in California Alternative Payment Program (CAPP) and Migrant Alternative Payment Program (CMAP)**
    - Families whose children were enrolled in Emergency Childcare through the CAPP or CMAP prior to June 30, 2020 may be served for up to an additional 90 days.
  - **Family Fee Collection for Families Enrolled in Emergency Childcare**
    - Families are now required to pay family fees for Emergency Childcare (this requirement was waived in MB 20-06A).
  - **Transition of Emergency Childcare Families to Ongoing Childcare Services in CAPP and Priorities for Enrollment**
    - Contractors are strongly encouraged to transition families in Emergency Childcare to ongoing Childcare Services in CAPP. Families previously served in Emergency Childcare shall follow the typical enrollment process to enroll in ongoing care.
  - **Transition of Emergency Childcare Families to Ongoing Childcare in CMAP and CMIG**



- Contractors who enrolled families into Emergency Childcare services through CMAP and CMIG contracts may transition those families into ongoing subsidized childcare with 12 month eligibility, provided that they meet eligibility and need requirements and their existing contract funds support such enrollments. The bulletin provides information on prioritization of families and requirements of providing families information and assistance accessing subsidized and unsubsidized care.
- **Transition of Emergency Childcare Families to Ongoing Childcare in CSPP, CCTR, and CFCC**
  - The budget bill, SB 98, did not provide an extension for Emergency Childcare for families receiving care through CSPP, CCTR, or CFCC. These families may receive services for 60 calendar days from the date of enrollment, or until June 30, 2020, whichever is longer, subject to available funds.
- **Hold Harmless for Emergency Childcare Determinations**
  - The state shall continue to hold harmless any Early Learning and Care contractor that enrolled a child in Emergency Childcare whose parent or guardian is determined not to meet those definitions. This applies to contractors that obtained a signed Coronavirus Disease 2019 Self-Certification form for families who were enrolled into Emergency Childcare.
- **Alternative Payment Contractor Augmentations**
  - Extension of care for alternative payment contractors is contingent on availability of funds. CDE is requiring all CAPP and CMAP contractors to fill out a survey by Thursday, July 23, 2020 to ensure CDE has the necessary data to allocate these funds in a timely manner.
- **Child Development and Nutrition Fiscal Services (CDNFS) Reporting updates**
  - CDNFS report forms will continue to collect the same data as in 2019-20 and CAPP and CMAP contractors will be required to provide additional data elements as specified in a forthcoming management bulletin.