

CDE Update: CDE and California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Joint Guidance to State Subsidized Early Learning and Care (ELC) Programs and Child Care and Development (CCD) Programs

Throughout the month of June 2021, CDE and CDSS will be issuing joint guidance to state subsidized ELC programs regarding the transition of programs from CDE to CDSS. CDE and CDSS understand that this transition has a substantial impact on Early Learning programs and are working collaboratively to mitigate administrative burden for contractors.

For FY 2021–22, contractors for both CDE and CDSS will continue to adhere to the following contract requirements:

Funding Terms and Conditions and Program Requirements

- The FY 2021–22 Funding Terms and Conditions (FT&C's) have been posted to the CDE's web page and can be found at www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/cd/ftc2021.asp. Both CDE and CDSS programs will utilize these FT&C's in FY 2021–22.
- The FY 2021–22 program requirements for CSPP contracts can be found on the CDE web page at www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/cd/ftc2021.asp.
- The FY 2021–22 program requirements for CCTR, CFCC, CHAN, CMIG, CAPP, C2AP, C3AP, CRRP, AND CLPC contracts can be found on the CDSS web page at cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/cdss-programs/calworks-child-care/child-care-transition/child-care-and-development-contractor.

12-Month Eligibility

- The 12-month eligibility regulations will be in effect on July 1, 2021. The finalized regulations are posted on the CDE's Rulemaking web page and can be located at www.cde.ca.gov/re/lr/rr/calworks12monthelig.asp.
- Management Bulletin 17-14, which provided interim guidance on 12-month eligibility, will be rescinded and no longer in effect as of July 1, 2021.

Licensing Requirements

 Unless exempt from licensure, all center-based programs and family child care homes are required to maintain a facility license issued by the CDSS, Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD).

Contracts

- CDE and CDSS have worked together to minimize disruption to the field as a result of ELC programs transferring to the CDSS on July 1, 2021. As such, the CDE will be issuing initial FY 2021–22 contracts on behalf of the CDSS. CDSS child care contracts will be issued on or about June 1, 2021. Detailed instructions on where to return a FY 2021–22 CDSS contract will also be included in the contract instructions.
- For questions regarding FY 2021–22 CDE contracts, please contact the CDE Contracts Office at childdevelopmentcontracts@cde.ca.gov.
- For questions regarding FY 2021–22 CDSS contracts, please contact the CDSS Contracts Office at childcarecontracts@dss.ca.gov.
- For questions regarding the fiscal terms of either CDE or CDSS contracts between the
 period of July 1 and September 30, 2021, please contact your assigned Child
 Development and Nutrition Fiscal Services (CDNFS) fiscal analyst. The fiscal analyst
 directory can be found at www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/cd/faad.asp. After September 30, 2021,
 fiscal analyst assignments will be specific to either CDE or CDSS contracts. A revised
 directory will be provided prior to that date.

Consultant Directory

- CDE and CDSS are finalizing the contact information for the regional child development
 consultant assignments and will post this information to the respective websites on or
 before July 1, 2021. Until this information has been posted, please contact your
 assigned ELCD, Program Quality Implementation (PQI) Office regional consultant for
 questions related to your contract. An ELCD, PQI office consultant directory can be
 located at www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd/ci/assignments.asp.
- For your convenience we have attached a copy of the consultant assignments that will be effective beginning July 1, 2021 for both CDE, ELCD and CDSS, CCDD. When the contact information for consultants has been finalized, the consultant directory for the CDE, ELCD will be posted at www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd/ci/assignments.asp, and the consultant directory for the CDSS, CCDD will be posted at www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd/ci/assignments.asp, and the cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/cdss-programs/calworks-child-care/child-care-transition/childcare-and-development-contractor

Upcoming Guidance

 CDE, ELCD and CDSS, CCDD are collaborating to develop agreements regarding processes and procedures for contractors who will hold contracts across both departments. Once those agreements have been finalized, the CDE, ELCD and the CDSS, CCDD will issue guidance to the field.

Listsery Communications

To receive the latest information from the CDE, ELCD email distribution list, please register at www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd/ci/emailindex.asp.

To receive the latest information from the CDSS Child Care & Development Transition listserv, please register at

cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/cdss-programs/calworks-child-care/child-care-transition.