

ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

The attached 2 pages of regulations, dealing with the Child Care Facilities Licensing, are adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Department of Health & Social Services adopts under the authority of AS 44.29.020, AS 47.32.010, and AS 47.32.030, and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

In considering public comments, the Department of Health & Social Services paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date: 12/30/19



Adam Crum
Commissioner,
Department of Health & Social Services

FILING CERTIFICATION

April Simpson for

I, Kevin Meyer, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

January 7, 2020, at 2:30pm. I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

April Simpson
for Lieutenant Governor Kevin Meyer

Effective: February 6, 2020.

Register: 233. April 2020.

**Title 7 Health and Social Services.
Chapter 57. Child Care Facilities Licensing.**

7 AAC 57.350(f) is amended to read:

(f) Except as provided in the training requirements of 7 AAC 57.300 for the administrator, and of 7 AAC 57.330 for a child care associate, a child care center, child care group home, or child care home shall ensure that each administrator, child care associate, and caregiver receives at least 24 hours of **annual** training relevant to child care and **development, at least one hour of which must be on one of the health and safety training topics identified in (a)(4) of this section** [EACH YEAR], based on the individual's hire date with the facility. **Except as provided in (i) of this section, the** [THE] 24 hours must be in addition to the orientation and training required under (a) of this section and the training in first aid and CPR required under (e) of this section. The annual training requirements of this subsection may be satisfied each year by obtaining college credit relevant to child care and development **if approved by the department. Approved coursework must include at least one of the health and safety training topics identified in (a)(4) of this section.**

7 AAC 57.350(i) is amended to read:

(i) In addition to meeting the requirements of (a) and (b) of this section, a part-time caregiver working 15 hours or less a week shall complete at least 12 hours of **annual** training relevant to child care and **development, at least one hour of which must be on one of the health and safety training topics identified in (a)(4) of this section** [EACH YEAR], based on the individual's hire date with the facility. The annual training requirements of this subsection may be satisfied each year by obtaining college credit relevant to child care and development **if**

approved by the department. Approved coursework must include at least one of the health and safety training topics identified in (a)(4) of this section.

7 AAC 57.350(j) is amended to read:

(j) An administrator, child care associate, or caregiver may count **up to six hours of the** orientation and pre-service training hours required under 7 AAC 57.030(a) **for the first year's** [THAT EXCEED SIX HOURS TOWARD] training hours required under (f) of this section.

(Eff. 6/23/2006, Register 178; am 5/15/2016, Register 218; am 9/30/2018, Register 227; am 2 / 6 /2020, Register 233)

Authority: AS 44.29.020 AS 47.32.010 AS 47.32.030

7 AAC 57.350 is amended by adding an editor's note to read:

Editor's note: A copy of the approved list of health and safety training courses may be obtained from the Department of Health and Social Services, Child Care Program Office, Division of Public Assistance, Frontier Building, 3601 C St., Suite 140, Anchorage, AK 99503; telephone number (907) 269-4500, or may be viewed at that office or on the internet at <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/ccare/default.aspx>.