

BROADCAST FROM THE CHILD CARE PROGRAM OFFICE

FOLLOW-UP TO CHILD CARE LICENSING PROVIDER CHATS REGARDING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS 7 AAC 57 CHILD CARE FACILITIES LICENSING

The Child Care Program Office (CCPO) is happy to share the Department of Health & Social Services has adopted regulation changes in Title 7 AAC 57 of the Alaska Administrative Code (AAC) effective May 15, 2016, for Child Care Facilities Licensing. The CCPO formally implemented these regulations on July 1, 2016 and presented two Provider Chats via Go-To-Meeting on June 28, 2016 for all providers regarding these changes.

Questions and comments were collected and reviewed during the Provider Chats. To respond to these questions and comments and to give an overview of the changes, a ***Child Care Licensing Changes Q & A Document*** and ***Child Care Licensing Changes and Implementation Plan Matrix*** have been posted to the CCPO website at: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/ccare/default.aspx>.

The revised 7 AAC 57 Child Care Facilities Licensing regulations are now available on the CCPO website at: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/ccare/regs.aspx> and on the State of Alaska on-line regulation website at:

<http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/folioiproxy.asp?url=http://www.jnu01.legis.state.ak.us/cgi-bin/folioisa.dll/aac/query=%5bJUMP:%27Title7Chap57%27%5d/doc/%7b%401%7d?firsthit>

Reminders:

- Providers will have additional opportunities to receive information or ask questions during upcoming Provider Chats and/or by contacting their State of Alaska Child Care Licensing Specialist.
- Provider Chat participants will receive a Certificate of Training worth **2 hours** towards their annual training hour requirements for Licensing. If you have questions about this please contact Samantha Ray at samantha.ray@alaska.gov.
- Additional Provider Chats via Go-To-Meeting will also be available throughout the year. To obtain a copy of the provider chat Schedule for 2016, please visit the CCPO website at: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Documents/dpa/programs/ccare/files/Statewide-Licensing-CHAT-Schedule-2016.pdf>.

Thank you,

