

**Department of Health & Social Services  
Child Care Program Office  
New Grantee for Child Care Assistance Program for the  
Fairbanks Service Area**

Effective July 1, 2011, the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) will no longer provide Child Care Assistance Eligibility Services. The Child Care Program Office (CCPO) would like to express our sincere thanks to the FNSB for their hard work and dedication throughout the years.

The CCPO is pleased to announce the new grantee for the Fairbanks service area will be “**thread**,” Alaska’s Statewide Child Care Resource and Referral Network. Stephanie Berglund, CEO/ Executive Director of **thread** states, “**thread** is excited for these expanded services in Fairbanks. Child Care Assistance is yet another way that **thread** supports families and early educators in accessing affordable and quality child care.” For more information about thread please visit their website at [www.threadalaska.org](http://www.threadalaska.org) .

**thread** will be sub-granting to Thrivalaska. Thrivalaska has a strong presence in the local community, operating the Summer Food Program, **thread** Resource and Referral for Interior/Northern Alaska, Head Start Birth to Five and a School Age Program. **Thrivalaska will begin administering the Fairbanks area Child Care Assistance Program effective September 1, 2011.** For more information regarding Thrivalaska please email [thread@thrivalaska.com](mailto:thread@thrivalaska.com) or call (907) 479-2214 or toll free 866-878-2273.

Because it is not feasible to have the new grantee up and running by July 1, the CCPO Child Care Assistance Program team will be processing all Applications, Renewals and Report of Change for Families and Providers in the Fairbanks service area. More information will be provided as available to ensure a smooth transition.

***How to get your Child Care Assistance Program Applications, Renewals and Reports of Change to the CCPO:***

1. **In-person:** Fairbanks Child Care Licensing Office at 542 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 212, Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and Noon or between 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Office closes for one hour at lunch time. An office mail slot can be used from 8am – 5pm. (**No** after hours drop box is available.)
2. **By fax:** Fairbanks Child Care Licensing Office at 451-3196 or toll free at 1-888-451-3196.
3. **By mail:** Fairbanks Child Care Licensing  
542 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite 212  
Fairbanks, AK 99701

If you have specific questions regarding your Child Care Assistance or Provider eligibility, please email [dpaccp@alaska.gov](mailto:dpaccp@alaska.gov).

Sincerely,

***The Child Care Program Office***