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Dear Early Learning System Director Chatterjee:

The Office of Child Care has completed its review of the proposed amendments to Oregon's approved Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Plan for FFY 2022-2024, submitted on May 24, 2023.

This letter is to inform you that the following CCDF Plan amendments were approved:

Section 1.1.2a. CCDF Administrator Contact Information: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective December 15, 2022.

Section 1.1.2b. CCDF Co-Administrator Contact Information (if applicable): This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective December 15, 2022.

Section 2.4.1 Information about child care and other services available for parents: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023.

Section 3.1.2a. Terms for determining CCDF eligibility: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023. Please note, Oregon remains non-compliant and is still subject to the notice of non-compliance issued on July 25, 2023, until all CCDF requirements are met.

Section 3.1.3a. Income definition at the point of initial determination: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.1.3b. Income eligibility limits at the time of initial determination: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.1.3c. Income eligibility limits within and across jurisdictions: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.1.3d. State Median Income (SMI) source and year: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.1.3e. Identify the most populous area of the state: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.1.3f. Effective date for income eligibility limits: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.1.3g. Provide the citation or link, if available, for the income eligibility limits: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.1.8 Eligibility criteria at the time of eligibility determination and redetermination: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023. Please note, Oregon remains non-compliant and is still subject to the notice of non-compliance issued on July 25, 2023, until all CCDF requirements are met.

Section 3.2.1a. CCDF co-payments according to family size: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.2.1b. If the sliding-fee scale is not statewide (i.e., county-administered states): This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.2.1c. What is the effective date of the sliding-fee scale(s)?: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.2.1d. Provide the link(s) to the sliding-fee scale: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective March 01, 2023.

Section 3.2.3 Other factors to determine family's co-payment: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective February 08, 2023.

Section 3.2.4 Waiving family contributions/co-payments: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective July 01, 2022.

Section 3.4.1b. Minimum required elements included in definition of temporary change: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023. Please note, Oregon remains non-compliant and is still subject to the notice of non-compliance issued on July 25, 2023, until all CCDF requirements are met.

Section 4.4.1a. Timeliness of payments: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023.

Section 4.4.1b. Delinking payments from attendance: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023.

Section 4.4.1c. Generally accepted payment practices: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023. Please note, Oregon remains non-compliant and is still subject to the notice of non-compliance issued on July 25, 2023, until all CCDF requirements are met.

Section 4.4.1d. Written payment agreement: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023. Please note, Oregon remains non-compliant and is still subject to the notice of non-compliance issued on July 25, 2023, until all CCDF requirements are met.

Section 4.4.1e. Prompt notice regarding any changes to the family's eligibility status: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023.

Section 4.4.1f. Timely appeal and resolution process: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023.

Section 4.4.1g. Other. Describe: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective January 01, 2023.

Section 4.4.3 Payment practices supporting equal access: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective August 01, 2021. Please note, Oregon remains non-compliant and is still subject to the notice of non-compliance issued on July 25, 2023, until all CCDF requirements are met.

Section 4.5.1 Affordable family contribution/co-payment: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective October 01, 2021.

Section 5.4.1a. Health and Safety standard procedures: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective

May 01, 2022.

Section 5.4.1b. Health and Safety Training procedures: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective May 01, 2022.

Section 5.4.1c. Health, Safety and fire standard procedures: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective May 01, 2022.

Section 5.5.3a. Conducting In-State Background Check requests: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective June 01, 2022.

Section 5.5.3b. NCIC NSOR check and FBI fingerprint check: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective June 01, 2022.

Section 5.5.3c. Interstate background check and making a determination of eligibility: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective June 01, 2022.

Section 5.5.3d. Eligibility determination within required 45-day timeframe: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective June 01, 2022.

Section 5.5.3e. Conducting a check in different state of residence: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective June 01, 2022.

Section 8.1.5a. Identifying and preventing fraud or intentional program violations: This item has been amended to reflect a policy or program change included in the CCDF Plan, effective February 01, 2023.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please feel free to contact Paul Noski, Regional Program Manager in Region X at (206) 615-2609 or paul.noski@acf.hhs.gov.

We appreciate your efforts to meet the child care needs of eligible families in Oregon and look forward to our continued partnership in the administration of your Child Care and Development Fund Program.

Sincerely,

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