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Dear Provider:

Re: March 2024 Reimbursement Changes

You are receiving this letter because you serve families enrolled in New Jersey's Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development (DHS/DFD), Child Care Assistance Program. As of March 1, 2024, reimbursement rates will increase for licensed child care centers, family child care providers (FCCs), and summer youth camps. Please visit <u>https://www.echildcarenj.org/eccpw/</u> to see the new increased rates for licensed child care centers, FCCs, and summer youth camps

Please note: Changes to the Parent/Applicant Provider Agreement (PAPA) reflecting these rate changes will be updated when agreements are reissued at redetermination. However, providers will see the new rates displayed in the payment portal on or about March 15, 2024.

As a reminder, DHS/DFD's reimbursement rate includes the families' copayment portion through June 2024, and copayments should not be collected from families during this timeframe. Families who select child care providers that charge more than the maximum State rate have been informed they are still responsible for paying that difference. However, DHS/DFD strongly encourages providers to accept the State rate as full payment.

If you have questions, you may contact Child & Family Resources at (973) 398-1730.