Child Care Financial Aid (CCFA) Policies Expanded Eligibility for Working Families (EEWF) Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Parents must meet one of the following criteria:

- <u>Eligibility Access</u>: Parent(s) whose income is greater than 133% FPL (if school-age child) or 200% FPL (if birth to five-year-old child) but less than 300% of FPL (all ages)
- Benefits Cliff: Parent(s) enrolled in subsidy who reach an income that exceeds 85% of SMI and is up to 300% FPL
- Work Hour Access: Parent(s) working and /or in school an average of 22-29 hours per week (under 200% of FPL all ages)

Parents must provide for each Parent/Responsible Adult(s) in the Household:

- Check stubs from current employment
- School schedule showing current enrollment and verification of hours attending school
- Official documentation of any additional income (child support, social security, etc.)
- Applications will be denied by the 30th day from the date of applications if the parent/Responsible Adult(s) do not meet the criteria listed above, does not provide all documents to determine eligibility within 30 days of application or does not notify CCRI of a selected child care provider.

Parents Responsibilities for Recipients of EEWF must:

- Complete a recertification annually based on the date of application
- Pay a co-payment of 10% of the gross monthly household income. The copayment is assigned to the youngest child in care and will be paid to the child care program that child attends.
- Enroll their child in their chosen child care program within 30 calendar days of the voucher being issued. Funding may not be available and the case may close if the child has not enrolled and the voucher is not returned within 30 calendars.
- If a child misses more than 10 days in a month services may be terminated.
- Report a change in address within 10 business days.
- Report when care is no longer needed.
- Request a new voucher from CCRI if the child is to be transferred to a new child care provider.

Parents should contact CCRI at Subsidy@childcareresourcesinc.org or at 704 335 9438.

CCRI will make referrals to NCWorks for families receiving services under EEWF who work less than 30 hours per week. A Release of Information is needed to provide basic information (name, email address, phone number and language preference) to NCWorks.

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