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The regulation *Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers (22VAC40-185)* has been revised, effective October 17, 2019. Please view the attached document for a description of the changes.

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## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**DATE:** October 17, 2019

**TO:** Licensed Child Day Centers  
Short-Term Child Day Centers

**FROM:** Tara Ragland, Director,  
Division of Licensing Programs

**SUBJECT:** Revisions to *Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers*

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information on revisions to 22VAC40-185-10, Definitions and 22VAC40-185-240, Staff training and development, to conform with amendments made to §§ 63.2-1715 and 63.2-1734. The regulation *Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers* have been revised, effective October 17, 2019, to bring into conformity with changes made to the Code of Virginia by the 2019 Session of the General Assembly. These actions were exempt from the full Administrative Process Act because their purpose was strictly to conform to changes in state law and no agency discretion was involved.

Changes to the regulation *Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers* are limited to two sections; 22VAC40-185-10 and 22VAC40-185-240; and are summarized below.

### **22VAC40-185-10. Definitions.**

- The new 22VAC40-185-10 removes the exemptions referenced in § 63.2-1715 of the Code from the definition of 'child day center'.

### **22VAC40-185-240. Staff training and development.**

- The new 22VAC40-185-240 removes the current exception to training for parents that participate in a cooperative preschool and replaces this exception with language consistent with § 63.2-1734 of the code; exempting parents or other persons who act in the capacity of a teacher and count in the mandated staff-to-child ratio in a cooperative preschool center from orientation and training requirements applicable to staff of child day programs.

The updated regulations and replacement pages can be found under the Regulations tab at [http://www.dss.virginia.gov/facility/child\\_care/licensed/child\\_day\\_centers/index.cgi](http://www.dss.virginia.gov/facility/child_care/licensed/child_day_centers/index.cgi) and can be ordered at [https://www.dss.virginia.gov/files/division/licensing/cdc/intro\\_page/current\\_providers/forms/all\\_other/032-05-0512-14-eng.pdf](https://www.dss.virginia.gov/files/division/licensing/cdc/intro_page/current_providers/forms/all_other/032-05-0512-14-eng.pdf). Please replace your copies with the new regulations and discard prior versions.

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