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DATE: October 16, 2020

TO: Religiously Exempt Child Day Centers (RECDC)

FROM: Tara Ragland, Director
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SUBJECT: Updates to Religiously Exempt Child Day Center Documents

This memo will inform you of the updated documents for the religiously exempt child day center program. These updated documents reflect the legislative changes effective July 1, 2020 from the 2020 Virginia General Assembly session.

The following RECDC documents were updated:

- *Documentation for Religiously Exempt Child Day Centers*
- *Statement of Intent*
- *Staff-Child Ratio Information Sheet* (VDSS model form)

The RECDC documents were updated to include the July 1, 2020 legislative changes below:

- Code of Virginia § 63.2-1716 A 3 now includes the requirement that the applicable staff-to-children ratio for children receiving care in a group shall be based on the age of the youngest child in such group.
- Code of Virginia § 63.2-1720.1 B 4 requires that staff and volunteers shall have a copy of the results of a criminal history name search AND sex offender registry check from any state in which the individual has resided in the past 5 years.

These documents and other RECDC resources can be found at
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