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## 2022-2023 COVID-19 Family Differential Payment Provider Notice

(January 2022 through December 2023)

## Dear Child Care Provider:

To continue to promote continuity of services to support families receiving child care assistance and child care providers impacted by COVID-19, the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development (DHS/DFD) is extending the COVID-19 Family Differential Payments from January 2022 through December 2023.

The purpose of these payments is to help families offset the cost of care for children receiving child care assistance. Effective January 1, 2022, licensed child care centers and family child care providers will receive this new round of COVID-19 Family Differential Payments with no changes in the payment process or schedule.

The COVID-19 Family Differential Payments will provide up to \$300 for full-time care, or \$150 for part-time care, per eligible child, per month above the provider's baseline reimbursement rate. This additional amount must be used to reduce or eliminate the tuition difference and any other costs or fees paid by families. If any money is owed to a family, the Differential Payment amount must be applied as a credit.

In order to ensure timely receipt of COVID-19 Family Differential Payments, the attached **2022-2023 COVID-19 Family Differential Payment Acknowledgement Form**, must be completed and signed by both the provider and parent, and then returned to the Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) Agency in your county within 30 days of receipt.

If you have questions, you may contact your CCR&R Agency Bergen County Office for Children at 201-336-7150.