



WAKE COUNTY QUALITY SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM INFORMATION SESSION

Presented by
Child Care Services Association
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Session Agenda

- Program Overview
- Eligibility Criteria & Applicable Changes
- 2017-2018 Supplement Rates
- Payments
- Application Process
- Q&A




Program Overview

- 2013: WCSS study found key champions for high quality:
 - ▣ Results Orientation
 - ▣ Strategic Finance Efforts
 - ▣ Adaptability
- Purpose:
 - ▣ Support existing program quality
 - ▣ Incentive quality improvement
 - ▣ Increase the number of quality facilities




Eligibility Criteria

- Operate within Wake County and Licensed by DCDE
- 4 or 5-star rated license
- **At least 6 Program Standard points**
- Serve at least 2* Wake County children 0-5 years old on subsidy (*1 child for Family Child Care Homes)
- No active Administrative Actions:
 - ▣ Child Maltreatment (Abuse/Neglect)
 - ▣ Supervision
- Documentation of parent co-payments/fees collection
- Submission of comprehensive annual operating budget




Eligibility Criteria

- Administrative Actions resulting from substantiated cases of child maltreatment will result in one of the following:
 - ▣ Suspension of Quality Supplement payments for 6 months if it is the only case of substantiated child maltreatment within the past 3 years.
 - ▣ Suspension of Quality Supplement payments for 18 months if there has been at least one additional case of substantiated child maltreatment within the past 3 years.
- Payments will only be reinstated following the applicable suspension period and if all other eligibility criteria are met



2017-2018 Supplement Rates

- Supplement amounts are assessed regularly by Child Care Services Association
- Quarterly Assessments will include review of the following data:
 - ▣ Star-Rating
 - ▣ Program Standard Points
 - ▣ Subsidy Participation (avg of last 3 months available)
 - ▣ Accreditation
 - ▣ **Achievement of 7 Teacher Education Points**
- Monthly assessments will include review of the following data:
 - ▣ Star-Rating
 - ▣ Administrative Actions
 - ▣ Subsidy Participation



2017-2018 Supplement Rates

Star Level	Program Standard Points	Add-ons	Current rates - Number of Subsets 24/00 on Rising Group			
			3-5 (children)	6-30 (children)	31-30 (children)	31-40 (children)
5 Star Center	FSP		\$1,400	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$2,300
	w/7 EOP		\$1,400	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$2,300
	w/NAEC		\$1,130	\$2,270	\$2,410	\$2,600
	w/7 EOP & NAEC		\$1,130	\$2,270	\$2,410	\$2,600
	FSP		\$1,400	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$2,300
	w/7 EOP		\$1,400	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$2,300
3 Star Center	FSP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/NAEC		\$850	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
	FSP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/NAEC		\$850	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
	FSP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/NAEC		\$850	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
3 Star FCH	FSP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/7 EOP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/NAEC		\$850	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
	FSP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/7 EOP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/NAEC		\$850	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
4 Star FCH	FSP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/NAEC		\$850	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
	FSP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/NAEC		\$850	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
	FSP		\$1,100	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
	w/NAEC		\$850	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400

Supplement Rates are flat monthly amounts



2017-2018 Supplement Rates

- Data sources
 - Monthly subsidy data from DCDEE data warehouse available after the 15th of each month
 - Monthly licensing data posted in DCDEE regulatory database by the 10th of each month
 - Quarterly program standard points data from DCDEE data warehouse available after the 10th of each new quarter (July, October, January, April)

Additional Payment - CLASS[®]

- **New this year** - An additional one-time payment will be awarded to facilities that have successfully taken steps to incorporate CLASS[®]-based strategies in quality improvement efforts.



Additional Payment - CLASS[®]

CLASS [®] -based Strategy (Jan. 1, 2017-May 31, 2018) (only one strategy required)	Required Documentation (due by May 31, 2018)
CLASS [®] observer training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification of training completion • Plan to improve/sustain center wide CLASS[®] practices (template/form to be provided)
CLASS [®] assessments of at least two classrooms of different age-groups (Pre-K, Toddler, Infant)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copies of CLASS assessments completed by certified observer • Plan to improve/sustain center wide CLASS[®] practices (template/form to be provided)
Advancing School Readiness (ASR) - CLASS [®] component	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification of completion of ASR program and CEU's earned • Plan to improve/sustain center wide CLASS[®] practices (template/form to be provided)
Technical Assistance/coaching regarding implementation of CLASS [®] practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification from TA provider • Plan to improve/sustain center wide CLASS[®] practices (template/form to be provided)

Additional Payment - CLASS[®]

- Submit application by January 31, 2018
- Provide documentation of completed efforts and plan to improve/sustain center wide CLASS[®] practices by May 31, 2018
- Amount awarded will be based on number of applicants and available budget, but will be at least \$1,500
- Awards will be made on a first-come, first-served basis, based on date of CLASS[®] application.



Payments

- Supplements will be issued by WCSS via direct deposit
- Payments transmitted on the last business day of each month
- Funds typically accessible by the 2nd business day of the following month



Payments

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- All supplement payments and rates are contingent on available funding
- Rates are subject to change within the program year
- Providers will be notified as soon as possible if there are changes expected to impact rates or payments
- Payments will be withheld for any child care facility on the NC Suspension of Funding List (SOFL).
 - ▣ Back-pay of payments withheld due to being on the SOFL will only occur if the facility is removed from the SOFL within 3 months.



Application Process

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- Materials are due **by Friday, July 7th**
- Applicants will be selected for participation on a **first-come, first-served basis**
- **All** programs should complete the following:
 - ▣ Provider Application and Agreement Form
 - ▣ Parent Fee Documentation Form
 - ▣ Annual Operating Budget
- New programs should also complete:
 - ▣ Direct Deposit ACH Authorization Form with voided check
 - ▣ W-9



Questions?

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THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!

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