



# Office of Children and Family Services

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## Informational Letter

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<b>To:</b>	Commissioners of Local Social Services Districts
<b>Issuing Division/Office:</b>	Division of Child Care Services
<b>Date:</b>	May 27, 2016
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Child Care Market Rates Advance Notification</b>
<b>Suggested Distribution:</b>	Directors of Social Services and Temporary Assistance Accounting Supervisors Child Care and Temporary Assistance Staff
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<b>Attachments:</b>	Yes – Child Care Market Rates
<b>Attachment Available Online:</b>	Yes (only as an attachment to this Informational Letter - <a href="http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/policies/external/">http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/policies/external/</a> )

### I. Purpose

The purpose of this informational letter is to advise local social services districts that the child care market rates and the maximum reimbursement for expenditures for all child care services funded under the New York State Child Care Block Grant (NYSCCBG) and Social Services Block Grant (Title XX) will be filed as an emergency rule making and notice of proposed rule making. These changes will be reflected in Title 18 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) Section 415.9.

### II. Background

The revised child care market rate regulations will be filed on an emergency basis on May 27, 2016 and will be effective June 1, 2016. The regulatory filing will also include a notice of proposed rulemaking. Social services districts, as well as the public, will have the opportunity to comment on the proposed rulemaking once the proposed rulemaking is published in the *State Register* on June 15, 2016.

The revised child care market rate regulations are found in an attachment to this policy. A local commissioners memorandum will be issued following the final adoption of the regulations.

The new market rates were established at the 69th percentile of child care rates reported by a random sample of 4,467 licensed and registered child care providers from across New York State, during a 2015 telephone survey.

**III. Program Implications**

The social services districts must take actions to implement the new child care market rates for the June 1, 2016 effective date.

*/s/ Janice Molnar*

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**Issued By:**

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Division of Child Care Services

**ATTACHMENT A**

**CHILD CARE MARKET RATES**

Market rates are established in five groupings of social services districts as follows:

- Group 1: Nassau, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk, Westchester
- Group 2: Columbia, Erie, Monroe, Onondaga, Ontario, Rensselaer, Schenectady, Tompkins, Warren
- Group 3: Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Clinton, Cortland, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Genesee, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison, Montgomery, Niagara, Oneida, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Schoharie, Schuylar, Seneca, St. Lawrence, Steuben, Sullivan, Tioga, Washington, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates
- Group 4: Albany, Dutchess, Orange, Saratoga, Ulster
- Group 5: Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, Richmond

**MARKET RATES**

The market rates established for each group apply to all districts in the designated group.

**GROUP 1 COUNTIES:****Nassau, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk, and Westchester**

## DAY CARE CENTER

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 1 ½</u></b>	<b><u>1 ½ - 2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$350	\$312	\$289	\$290
DAILY	\$60	\$57	\$50	\$57
PART-DAY	\$40	\$38	\$33	\$38
HOURLY	\$9.50	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00

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## FAMILY DAY CARE HOME AND GROUP FAMILY DAY CARE HOME

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 2</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$295	\$275	\$275	\$265
DAILY	\$60	\$55	\$53	\$51
PART-DAY	\$40	\$37	\$35	\$34
HOURLY	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00

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## SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 1 ½</u></b>	<b><u>1 ½ - 2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$289	\$290
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$50	\$57
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$33	\$38
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$10.00	\$10.00

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(Group 1 Counties)  
 LEGALLY-EXEMPT GROUP CHILD CARE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 1 ½</u></b>	<b><u>1 1/2 – 2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$217	\$218
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$38	\$43
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$25	\$29
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$7.50	\$7.50

LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
 STANDARD RATE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 2</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$192	\$179	\$179	\$172
DAILY	\$39	\$36	\$34	\$33
PART-DAY	\$26	\$24	\$23	\$22
HOURLY	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$6.50

LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
 ENHANCED RATE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 2</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$207	\$193	\$193	\$186
DAILY	\$42	\$39	\$37	\$36
PART-DAY	\$28	\$26	\$25	\$24
HOURLY	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00

**GROUP 2 COUNTIES: Columbia, Erie, Monroe, Onondaga, Ontario, Rensselaer, Schenectady, Tompkins and Warren**

## DAY CARE CENTER

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 ½ - 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$259	\$242	\$225	\$200
DAILY	\$53	\$49	\$45	\$42
PART-DAY	\$35	\$33	\$30	\$28
HOURLY	\$9.00	\$8.50	\$8.25	\$8.00

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## FAMILY DAY CARE HOME AND GROUP FAMILY DAY CARE HOME

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$185	\$175	\$175	\$165
DAILY	\$40	\$36	\$35	\$34
PART-DAY	\$27	\$24	\$23	\$23
HOURLY	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00

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## SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 ½ - 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$225	\$200
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$45	\$42
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$30	\$28
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$8.25	\$8.00

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(Group 2 Counties)  
 LEGALLY-EXEMPT GROUP CHILD CARE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 1/2 – 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$169	\$150
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$34	\$32
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$23	\$21
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$6.19	\$6.00

LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
 STANDARD RATE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$120	\$114	\$114	\$107
DAILY	\$26	\$23	\$23	\$22
PART-DAY	\$18	\$16	\$15	\$15
HOURLY	\$3.90	\$3.90	\$3.90	\$3.90

LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
 ENHANCED RATE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$130	\$123	\$123	\$116
DAILY	\$28	\$25	\$25	\$24
PART-DAY	\$19	\$17	\$16	\$16
HOURLY	\$4.20	\$4.20	\$4.20	\$4.20

**GROUP 3 COUNTIES:**

**Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Clinton, Cortland, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Genesee, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison, Montgomery, Niagara, Oneida, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Schoharie, Schuyler, Seneca, St. Lawrence, Steuben, Sullivan, Tioga, Washington, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates**

## DAY CARE CENTER

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 ½ - 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$200	\$190	\$180	\$170
DAILY	\$43	\$41	\$38	\$37
PART-DAY	\$29	\$27	\$25	\$25
HOURLY	\$7.00	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.00

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## FAMILY DAY CARE HOME AND GROUP FAMILY DAY CARE HOME

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$143
DAILY	\$33	\$30	\$30	\$30
PART-DAY	\$22	\$20	\$20	\$20
HOURLY	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00

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## SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 ½ - 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$180	\$170
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$38	\$37
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$25	\$25
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$7.50	\$7.00

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(Group 3 Counties)  
 LEGALLY-EXEMPT GROUP CHILD CARE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 1/2 – 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$135	\$128
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$29	\$28
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$19	\$19
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$5.63	\$5.25

LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
 STANDARD RATE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$98	\$98	\$98	\$93
DAILY	\$21	\$20	\$20	\$20
PART-DAY	\$14	\$13	\$13	\$13
HOURLY	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.25

LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
 ENHANCED RATE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$105	\$105	\$105	\$100
DAILY	\$23	\$21	\$21	\$21
PART-DAY	\$15	\$14	\$14	\$14
HOURLY	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50

**GROUP 4 COUNTIES:  
Albany, Dutchess, Orange, Saratoga, and Ulster**

DAY CARE CENTER

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 ½ - 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$262	\$247	\$225	\$220
DAILY	\$56	\$51	\$46	\$46
PART-DAY	\$37	\$34	\$31	\$31
HOURLY	\$8.50	\$8.25	\$8.50	\$9.00

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FAMILY DAY CARE HOME AND GROUP FAMILY DAY CARE HOME

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$225	\$200	\$200	\$200
DAILY	\$45	\$45	\$42	\$40
PART-DAY	\$30	\$30	\$28	\$27
HOURLY	\$8.75	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$8.00

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SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 ½ - 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$225	\$220
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$46	\$46
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$31	\$31
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$8.50	\$9.00

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(Group 4 Counties)  
LEGALLY-EXEMPT GROUP CHILD CARE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 1 ½</u></b>	<b><u>1 1/2 – 2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$169	\$165
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$35	\$35
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$23	\$23
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$6.38	\$6.75

LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
STANDARD RATE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 2</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$146	\$130	\$130	\$130
DAILY	\$29	\$29	\$27	\$26
PART-DAY	\$20	\$20	\$18	\$18
HOURLY	\$5.69	\$5.20	\$5.20	\$5.20

LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
ENHANCED RATE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 2</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$158	\$140	\$140	\$140
DAILY	\$32	\$32	\$29	\$28
PART-DAY	\$21	\$21	\$20	\$19
HOURLY	\$6.13	\$5.60	\$5.60	\$5.60

**GROUP 5 COUNTIES:  
Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond**

DAY CARE CENTER

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 ½ - 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$371	\$268	\$242	\$210
DAILY	\$59	\$51	\$46	\$42
PART-DAY	\$39	\$34	\$31	\$28
HOURLY	\$15.75	\$17.00	\$15.75	\$9.00

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FAMILY DAY CARE HOME AND GROUP FAMILY DAY CARE HOME

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$200	\$185	\$175	\$160
DAILY	\$37	\$35	\$33	\$32
PART-DAY	\$25	\$23	\$22	\$21
HOURLY	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$10.00	\$12.00

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SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE

	AGE OF CHILD			
	<u>Under 1 ½</u>	<u>1 ½ - 2</u>	<u>3 - 5</u>	<u>6-12</u>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$242	\$210
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$46	\$42
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$31	\$28
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$15.75	\$9.00

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(Group 5 Counties)  
 LEGALLY-EXEMPT GROUP CHILD CARE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 1 ½</u></b>	<b><u>1 1/2 – 2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$0	\$0	\$182	\$158
DAILY	\$0	\$0	\$35	\$32
PART-DAY	\$0	\$0	\$23	\$21
HOURLY	\$0	\$0	\$11.81	\$6.75

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LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
 STANDARD RATE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 2</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$130	\$120	\$114	\$104
DAILY	\$24	\$23	\$21	\$21
PART-DAY	\$16	\$15	\$14	\$14
HOURLY	\$7.80	\$7.80	\$6.50	\$7.80

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LEGALLY-EXEMPT FAMILY CHILD CARE AND IN-HOME CHILD CARE  
 ENHANCED RATE

	<b>AGE OF CHILD</b>			
	<b><u>Under 2</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>	<b><u>3 - 5</u></b>	<b><u>6-12</u></b>
WEEKLY	\$140	\$130	\$123	\$112
DAILY	\$26	\$25	\$23	\$22
PART-DAY	\$18	\$16	\$15	\$15
HOURLY	\$8.40	\$8.40	\$7.00	\$8.40

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**SPECIAL NEEDS CHILD CARE**

The rate of payment for child care services provided to a child determined to have special needs is the actual cost of care up to the statewide limit of the highest weekly, daily, part-day or hourly market rate for child care services in the State, as applicable, based on the amount of time the child care services are provided per week regardless of the type of child care provider used or the age of the child.

The highest full time market rate in the State is:

WEEKLY	\$ 371
DAILY	\$ 60
PART-DAY	\$ 40
HOURLY	\$ 17.00