



Child Care Assistance Program

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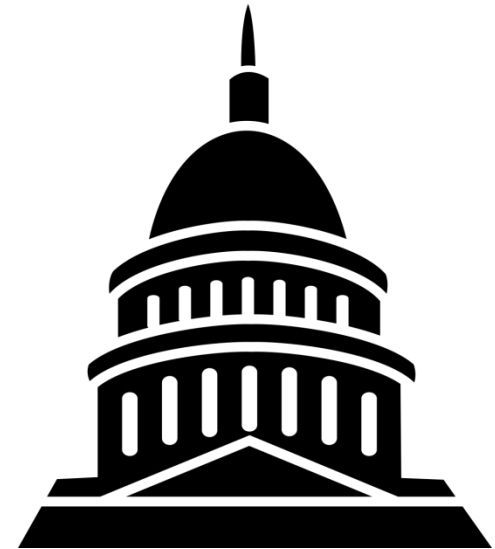
Child Care Assistance (CCA) Appropriation

- Supports low income families with working parents, parents gaining work skills, or parents going to school
- Supports the regulation of child care providers
- Supports quality improvement activities for child care providers

SFY'17 State and Federal Investments

\$28.1 million

\$82.7 million



Supports to Low Income Families in SFY'17

- An average of 22,689 children served monthly
- An average of 13,735 families served monthly
- 4,257 child care providers received CCA payments

Reauthorization of the Child Care and Development Block Grant

- S. 1086 - Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 2014 enacted 11/19/14 and addresses three components of the child care program
 - Training and quality improvement efforts
 - Regulation and monitoring
 - Eligibility and payment

Regulation and Monitoring Training and Quality Improvement

- Changes that were effective 10/1/16
 - Conduct onsite, pre-license/registration monitoring
 - Conduct an annual visit of all providers receiving funding under CCA, as well as, all registered and licensed programs
 - Pre-service/orientation training requirements for all licensed and registered child care providers and those serving families eligible for CCA
 - Post both monitoring and complaint reports on the DHS website

Eligibility and Payment in Iowa

- Effective July 1, 2016:
 - Moved from a 6 month eligibility for CCA families to 12 months of eligibility
 - Developed CCA Plus, a 12-month exit eligibility program, to provide CCA to families who have income over 145% of the FPL but under 85% of the State Median Income (SMI)
 - Allow for 3 month temporary lapse in need for service for job search, medical needs, income changes, etc.
 - Quality Rating System (QRS) Level 5 Reimbursement Rate set at 75th percentile of 2014 Market Rate Survey

Eligibility and CCA Plus Program

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SMI = State Median Income

CCDBG = Child Care and Development Block
Grant

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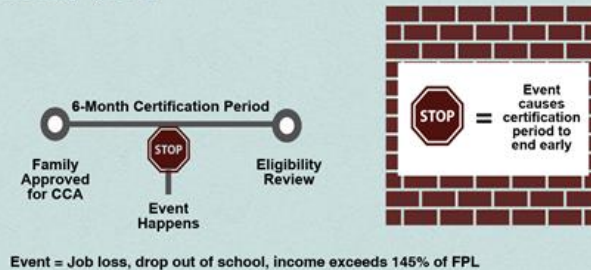
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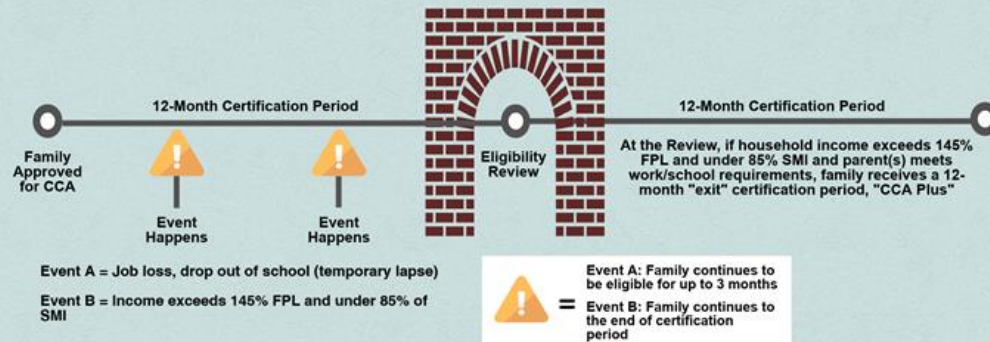
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CCA Program Before July 1, 2016



Event = Job loss, drop out of school, income exceeds 145% of FPL

CCA Program Beginning July 1, 2016 (Implementation of the Federal CCDBG Act)



Event A = Job loss, drop out of school (temporary lapse)

Event B = Income exceeds 145% FPL and under 85% of SMI

At the Review, if household income exceeds 145% FPL and under 85% SMI and parent(s) meets work/school requirements, family receives a 12-month "exit" certification period, "CCA Plus"



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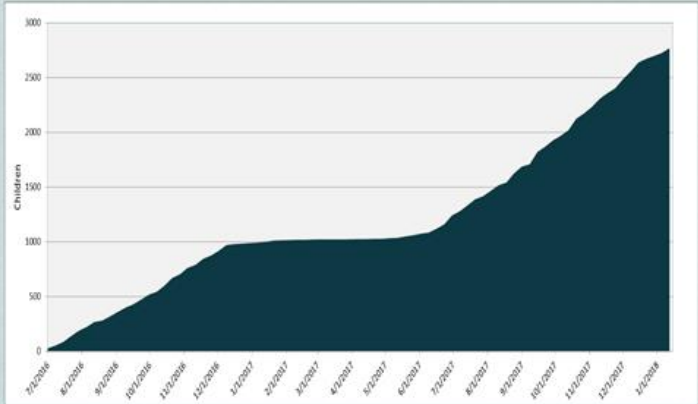
<p>12-Month Certification Period</p> <p>830 Children</p>  <p>Added to the monthly CCA caseload</p>	<p>Temporary Lapses</p> <p>Since 7/1/2016, approximately</p> <p>1,560 Families</p> <p>utilized the temporary lapse provision</p>	<p>QRS Level 5 Providers Rates</p> <p>1,000 Children</p> <p>being served in</p> <p>48 Facilities</p> <p>as of 9/1/2017</p>
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CCA Plus Program

An average of

230 Children

have been added each month to the CCA Plus Program since 7/1/2017



170%

The average Federal Poverty Level (FPL) for families on the CCA Plus Program

SFY17-Federal Policy Cost Impact

- Moved from a 6 month eligibility for CCA families to 12 months of eligibility (\$4 million)
- Developed CCA Plus, an exit eligibility program, to provide CCA to families who have income over 145% of the FPL but under 85% of the State Median Income (SMI) for twelve months (\$2.2 million)
- Allow for 3 month temporary lapse in need for service for job search, medical needs, income changes, etc. (\$755,000)
- Quality Rating System (QRS) Level 5 Reimbursement Rate set at 75th percentile of 2014 Market Rate Survey (\$754,000)

CCDF FFY19-21

- Pre-print released for public comment
- Submit to the Office of Child Care (OCC) by July 1, 2018
- Public hearing prior to submittal to OCC

FFY19-21 CCDF Challenges

- An exit eligibility program, to provide CCA to families who have income over 145% of the FPL but under 85% of the State Median Income (SMI)
- Background Checks

Questions

