



May 3, 2022

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Commissioner

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Dear Deputy Commissioner Molnar:

New York City Administration for Children's Services (NYC ACS) is requesting the following amendments to our Child and Family Services 2021 Child Care Plan in order to maximize our use of Child Care Block Grant funding, reduce fees for low income families and provide additional support for all child care providers when children are absent.

Appendix M #1

Effective June 1, 2022, NYC ACS requests to reduce the family share percentage from 10% to 1% that will be applied to gross family income above the State Income Standard. ACS will also be eliminating the differentiation between full time and part time fees. The minimum fee will remain at \$1.

Appendix M #2

ACS requests to amend our response to whether there will be a waiting list when there are not sufficient funds to open all eligible cases from "Yes" to "No".

Appendix R

ACS requests to amend our payment for absences to provide for an additional 56 absences paid per year for a total of 80 absences paid per year for all types of eligible providers which includes day care centers, group day care, family day care, group family day care, school-age child care programs, enrolled legally exempt group child care programs, and enrolled informal child care programs.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this request, please contact Shari Gruber, Assistant Commissioner, NYC ACS at (212) 393-5109 or at [Shari.Grubert@acs.nyc.gov](mailto:Shari.Grubert@acs.nyc.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth Gillroy".

Elizabeth Gillroy  
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