Subsidized Child Care Provider Notice Waiver of Parental Fees for service months October 2018 – January 2019

Many people have been impacted by Hurricane Florence and we want to make sure that those families who live in one of the designated disaster counties don't have a negative impact on their subsidy services. You are receiving this notice because you live in one of those counties, and you have families that are responsible for paying a parental fee to you for their subsidized child care assistance. This notice is to inform you that the Division of Child Development and Early Education is waiving parental fees for families in the 31 most impacted counties beginning with service months October 2018 through January 2019. Families have been notified of this waiver.

This means that even though families are responsible for the subsidized child care parental fee, they are exempt from paying it. DCDEE will make the parental fee payments to providers which will be your approved rate plus the parental fee. This will ensure that providers continue to receive full payment based on the children's attendance during these months. If parent fees have already been paid for the service month of October, please work with these families by providing refunds or credits back to the family.

Going forward, child care providers are <u>not</u> to collect parental fees from families for the months of November 2018 – January 2019. If you have questions about this notice, you may contact your local department of social services or local purchasing agency.

The 31 impacted counties that this waiver applies to are:

Anson, Beaufort, Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Craven, Cumberland, Duplin, Greene, Harnett, Hoke, Hyde, Johnston, Jones, Lee, Lenoir, Moore, New Hanover, Onslow, Orange, Pamlico, Pender, Pitt, Richmond, Robeson, Sampson, Scotland, Union, Wayne, and Wilson.