

Rules governing use of vehicles in child care settings

Rules Review for CCEC Discussion

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Rule Section	Possible/Recommended Language	Explanation
<p>Current Language:</p> <p>414-205-0110 Registered Family Child Care Homes</p> <p>15-passenger vans shall not be used to transport child care children after January 1, 2018.</p>	<p>Option 1:</p> <p>Vehicles designed to carry more than ten passengers cannot be used to transport child care children, unless that vehicle is a school bus or a multi-function school activity bus.</p>	<p>Pros: Simple rule language. More inclusive of other types of vehicles' safety concerns.</p> <p>Cons: Can be difficult to clearly identify those vehicles. Vehicles can be modified. Potential for fiscal and practical impact on providers and families.</p>
<p>414-180-0025 Regulated Subsidy Family Child Care Homes</p> <p>If a passenger van is used to transport child care children it must meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards for transporting children in education settings.</p> <p>15-passenger vans shall not be used to transport child care children.</p>	<p>Option 2:</p> <p>Vehicles designed to carry more than ten passengers cannot be used to transport child care children, unless:</p> <p>(a) the vehicle is a school bus or a multi-function school activity bus; or</p> <p>(b) the vehicle is manufactured after 2010.</p>	<p>Pros: Allows for the use of different types of vehicles. Takes into account new technology. Possible lessening of impact on providers.</p> <p>Cons: Still prohibits the use of certain types of vehicles that providers may already own.</p>
	<p>Option 3:</p> <p>Vehicles designed to carry more than ten passengers, and are not a school bus or a multi-function school activity bus, may be used under the following conditions</p> <p>(a) travel speed not to exceed 50 mph; and</p> <p>(b) have an annual safety inspection by a garage, dealership or auto repair shop. Proof of inspection must be on a form provided by the Office of Child Care or on a form provided by the inspector which contains the same information.</p>	<p>Pros: Allows for the use of different types of vehicles. Reduces the impact on providers. Increases awareness of safety issues.</p> <p>Cons: Travel speed compliance may be difficult to enforce.</p>