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# CHILD CARE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

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### What will we be asking you to do?

#### Approve the Child Care Development Fund Plan

When: May Early Learning Council Meeting



Explain what we are asking you to do

 Provide background information
Find out what else you need to perform this responsibility

### What we will cover

- What is the Child Care Development Fund (CCDF)
- How Oregon uses the CCDF
- What is the CCDF Plan
- What are the recent changes to CCDF
- What is the process for revising the CCDF Plan

## Child Care Development Fund

#### Purpose: CCDF

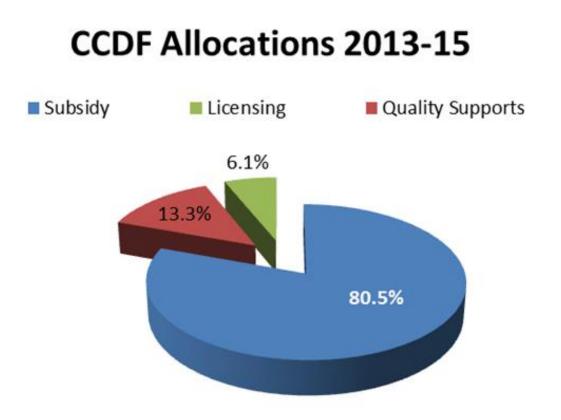
- provide financial assistance to low-income families to access child care so they can work or attend a job training or educational program.
- provide funding to improve the quality of child care and increase the supply and availability of child care for all families, including those who receive no direct assistance through CCDF.

# Child Care Development Fund

History:

- Prior to 1990—diverse small programs to help low-income families pay for child care.
- □ 1990—first major funding of child care assistance:
  - **•** Funding for subsidies and improving quality.
- 1996—merge of multiple programs into CCDF
  - Part of welfare reform,
  - Funding for subsidies and improving quality.
- □ 2014—reauthorization:
  - Strengthens health and safety and
  - Increases focus on quality.

### How Oregon uses CCDF



# What is the CCDF Plan?

Strategic Plan for CCDF Investments

- Sets high-level goals
- Identifies strategies for reaching them
- Federal Office of Child Care requires revision every 2 years

It is <u>not</u> the budget plan for CCDF

# Oregon's Current CCDF Plan

- 1. Ensuring Health and Safety of Children
- 2. Establishing Early Learning Guidelines
- Pathways to Excellence for Child Care Programs through Program Quality Improvement Activities
- 4. Pathways to Excellence for the Child Care Workforce: Professional Development Systems and Workforce Initiatives
- Building Subsidy Systems that Increase Access to High Quality Care

# Changes to CCDF Rules

Stronger focus on child development

- New monitory & safety requirements:
  - On-site monitoring of licensed exempt providers
    - Compliance by 11/19/2016
  - Fingerprinting and background checks
    - Compliance by 9/30/2017
  - Enhanced requirements for parent and public access to complaints and compliance information
    - Compliance by the earlier of a) 11/19/2017 or b) 1 year after monitoring in place

# Timeline for CCDF Plan Revision

- January: Federal Government releases template for CCDF Plan
- March: Posting of draft plan
- April: ELC Child Care Workgroup
- May: Public Hearing
- June: Early Learning Council

