



Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast

Serving Citrus – Dixie – Gilchrist – Levy – Sumter Counties

Provider Alert #12

Date: January 24, 2008

Subject: Administrative Committee Meeting

On January 23, 2008 the Administrative Committee held their regularly scheduled monthly meeting. The following action (related directly to early learning programs) was taken:

School Readiness Enrollment: As a result of a potential surplus in the direct services budget the Committee voted unanimously to maintain open enrollment for school readiness services in all five counties effective January 23, 2008 to February 27, 2008.

Reimbursement Rates: As a result of a potential surplus in the direct services budget the Committee voted unanimously to recommend an increase to the provider reimbursement rates in each county to meet the 2007 Market Rate. The recommendation is a **TEMPORARY** solution to the current surplus and, if approved by the Board, will be effective for the period of March 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008. The following charts provide the recommended rates for each County.

Citrus

| 2007 WEEKLY FULL TIME Market Rates | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|------------|
| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
| Centers | 125.00 | 125.00 | 102.00 | 95.00 | 95.00 | 90.00 |
| Gold Seal | 150.00 | 150.00 | 122.40 | 114.00 | 114.00 | 108.00 |
| Licensed Homes | 125.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 | 100.00 | 78.00 |
| Registered Homes | 125.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |

2007 WEEKLY PART TIME Market Rates

| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
|------------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|------------|
| Centers | 93.75 | 93.75 | 76.50 | 71.25 | 71.25 | 67.50 |
| Gold Seal | 112.50 | 112.50 | 91.80 | 85.50 | 85.50 | 81.00 |
| Licensed Homes | 93.75 | 93.75 | 93.75 | 93.75 | 75.00 | 58.50 |
| Registered Homes | 93.75 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 |

Dixie

| 2007 WEEKLY FULL TIME Market Rates | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|-------|--------|-------|------------|
| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
| Centers | 90.00 | 80.00 | 80.00 | 90.00 | 70.00 | 66.00 |
| Gold Seal | 108.00 | 96.00 | 96.00 | 108.00 | 84.00 | 79.20 |
| Licensed Homes | 80.00 | 80.00 | 80.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 65.00 |
| Registered Homes | 90.00 | 90.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 |

2007 WEEKLY PART TIME Market Rates

| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
|------------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|------------|
| Centers | 67.50 | 60.00 | 60.00 | 67.50 | 52.50 | 49.50 |
| Gold Seal | 81.00 | 72.00 | 72.00 | 81.00 | 63.00 | 59.40 |
| Licensed Homes | 60.00 | 60.00 | 60.00 | 56.25 | 56.25 | 48.75 |
| Registered Homes | 67.50 | 67.50 | 56.25 | 56.25 | 56.25 | 56.25 |

Gilchrist

| 2007 WEEKLY FULL TIME Market Rates | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|------------|
| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
| Centers | 120.00 | 130.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 | 115.00 |
| Gold Seal | 144.00 | 156.00 | 150.00 | 150.00 | 150.00 | 138.00 |
| Licensed Homes | 80.00 | 90.00 | 85.00 | 80.00 | 75.00 | 65.00 |
| Registered Homes | 125.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |

2007 WEEKLY PART TIME Market Rates

| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
|------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|------------|
| Centers | 90.00 | 97.50 | 93.75 | 93.75 | 93.75 | 86.25 |
| Gold Seal | 108.00 | 117.00 | 112.50 | 112.50 | 112.50 | 103.50 |
| Licensed Homes | 60.00 | 67.50 | 63.75 | 60.00 | 56.25 | 48.75 |
| Registered Homes | 93.75 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 |

Levy

| 2007 WEEKLY FULL TIME Market Rates | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|------------|
| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
| Centers | 130.00 | 105.00 | 102.00 | 94.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 |
| Gold Seal | 156.00 | 126.00 | 122.40 | 112.80 | 108.00 | 108.00 |
| Licensed Homes | 90.00 | 90.00 | 95.00 | 85.00 | 75.00 | 65.00 |
| Registered Homes | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 85.00 | 85.00 | 100.00 |

2007 WEEKLY PART TIME Market Rates

| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
|------------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|------------|
| Centers | 97.50 | 78.75 | 76.50 | 70.50 | 67.50 | 67.50 |
| Gold Seal | 117.00 | 94.50 | 91.80 | 84.60 | 81.00 | 81.00 |
| Licensed Homes | 67.50 | 67.50 | 71.25 | 63.75 | 56.25 | 48.75 |
| Registered Homes | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 63.75 | 63.75 | 75.00 |

Sumter

| 2007 WEEKLY FULL TIME Market Rates | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|------------|
| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
| Centers | 160.00 | 140.00 | 130.00 | 115.00 | 110.00 | 102.00 |
| Gold Seal | 192.00 | 168.00 | 156.00 | 138.00 | 132.00 | 122.40 |
| Licensed Homes | 150.00 | 140.00 | 130.00 | 105.00 | 105.00 | 102.00 |
| Registered Homes | 100.00 | 95.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 | 80.00 | 75.00 |

2007 WEEKLY PART TIME Market Rates

| | Infants | Toddler | Two | Three | Fours | School Age |
|------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|-------|------------|
| Centers | 120.00 | 105.00 | 97.50 | 86.25 | 82.50 | 76.50 |
| Gold Seal | 144.00 | 126.00 | 117.00 | 103.50 | 99.00 | 91.80 |
| Licensed Homes | 112.50 | 105.00 | 97.50 | 78.75 | 78.75 | 76.50 |
| Registered Homes | 75.00 | 71.25 | 67.50 | 67.50 | 60.00 | 56.25 |

The recommendation also requires Coalition staff to collect a signed statement of understanding from each provider. The statement will clearly explain that the rates are temporary and in effect from March 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008. Coalition staff will collaborate with Childhood Development Services in securing the statements from each provider at the appropriate time.

The next Administrative Committee meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2008 beginning at 9:00AM. The meeting will be held at the Coalition's Crystal River office. Providers may attend the meeting in person or call into the meeting at 1-800-503-2899 (conference code # 4937505.)

If you have any questions or concerns related to this Alert please contact Sonya Bosanko at 352-563-9939 Ext. 224 or sbosanko@elc-naturecoast.org