



**Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast**  
Serving Citrus – Dixie – Gilchrist – Levy – Sumter Counties

**Provider Alert # 17**

**Date:** March 10, 2008

**Subject:** Provider Reimbursement Rates

On January 9, 2008 the Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast Board approved action item # 2007-08-38 increasing the Citrus and Dixie County Reimbursement Rates equal to the 2005 Market Rate effective February 1, 2008 and upon approval by the Office of Early Learning. On March 6, 2008 the Coalition received approval from the Office of Early Learning.

Because the Coalition is required to obtain approval from the Office of Early Learning prior to implementing a plan amendment and because the Office of Early Learning's notification of approval or denial was 26 days late (based on the Office of Early Learning's policies) the Coalition will NOT be able to pay the 2005 Market rates for February reimbursements on time. The Coalition WILL:

1. Reimburse providers at the previous rates for February 2008
2. Reimburse providers retro actively for the 2005 Market Rates for February 2008 with the March 2008 Reimbursement.

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