

## ARTICLE 12

**DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES  
LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION POLICY**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 12a. **Education.** For purposes of child care centers, "education" means accredited coursework in behavior guidance, child abuse and neglect prevention, child development, child health and safety, child health and wellness, child nutrition, child psychology, child study techniques, children with special needs, communication studies, computer science, coordination of community and school activities, cultural studies, curriculum planning, early childhood education, early childhood special education, elementary education, elementary special education, English language arts, ethics, family studies, history, mathematics, music, parent involvement, psychology, recreational sports, arts and crafts methods or theory, science, social studies, sociology, or other coursework approved by the commissioner.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2025.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.10, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. **Grant of license; license extension.** (a) If the commissioner determines that the program complies with all applicable rules and laws, the commissioner shall issue a license consistent with this section or, if applicable, a temporary change of ownership license under section 142B.11. At minimum, the license shall state:

(1) the name of the license holder;

(2) the address of the program;

(3) the effective date and expiration date of the license;

(4) the type of license;

(5) the maximum number and ages of persons that may receive services from the program;

and

(6) any special conditions of licensure.

(b) The commissioner may issue a license for a period not to exceed two years if:

(1) the commissioner is unable to conduct the observation required by subdivision 11, paragraph (a), clause (3), because the program is not yet operational;

(2) certain records and documents are not available because persons are not yet receiving services from the program; and

(3) the applicant complies with applicable laws and rules in all other respects.

## ARTICLE 20

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES LICENSING POLICY

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(3) the applicant complies with applicable laws and rules in all other respects.

188.4 (c) A decision by the commissioner to issue a license does not guarantee that any person  
188.5 or persons will be placed or cared for in the licensed program.

188.6 (d) Except as provided in paragraphs (i) and (j), the commissioner shall not issue a  
188.7 license if the applicant, license holder, or an affiliated controlling individual has:

188.8 (1) been disqualified and the disqualification was not set aside and no variance has been  
188.9 granted;

188.10 (2) been denied a license under this chapter or chapter 245A within the past two years;

188.11 (3) had a license issued under this chapter or chapter 245A revoked within the past five  
188.12 years; or

188.13 (4) failed to submit the information required of an applicant under subdivision 1,  
188.14 paragraph (f), (g), or (h), after being requested by the commissioner.

188.15 When a license issued under this chapter or chapter 245A is revoked, the license holder  
188.16 and each affiliated controlling individual with a revoked license may not hold any license  
188.17 under chapter 142B for five years following the revocation, and other licenses held by the  
188.18 applicant or license holder or licenses affiliated with each controlling individual shall also  
188.19 be revoked.

188.20 (e) Notwithstanding paragraph (d), the commissioner may elect not to revoke a license  
188.21 affiliated with a license holder or controlling individual that had a license revoked within  
188.22 the past five years if the commissioner determines that (1) the license holder or controlling  
188.23 individual is operating the program in substantial compliance with applicable laws and rules  
188.24 and (2) the program's continued operation is in the best interests of the community being  
188.25 served.

188.26 (f) Notwithstanding paragraph (d), the commissioner may issue a new license in response  
188.27 to an application that is affiliated with an applicant, license holder, or controlling individual  
188.28 that had an application denied within the past two years or a license revoked within the past  
188.29 five years if the commissioner determines that (1) the applicant or controlling individual  
188.30 has operated one or more programs in substantial compliance with applicable laws and rules  
188.31 and (2) the program's operation would be in the best interests of the community to be served.

189.1 (g) In determining whether a program's operation would be in the best interests of the  
189.2 community to be served, the commissioner shall consider factors such as the number of  
189.3 persons served, the availability of alternative services available in the surrounding  
189.4 community, the management structure of the program, whether the program provides  
189.5 culturally specific services, and other relevant factors.

189.6 (h) The commissioner shall not issue or reissue a license under this chapter if an individual  
189.7 living in the household where the services will be provided as specified under section  
189.8 245C.03, subdivision 1, has been disqualified and the disqualification has not been set aside  
189.9 and no variance has been granted.

510.1 (c) A decision by the commissioner to issue a license does not guarantee that any person  
510.2 or persons will be placed or cared for in the licensed program.

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510.27 has operated one or more programs in substantial compliance with applicable laws and rules  
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511.2 living in the household where the services will be provided as specified under section  
511.3 245C.03, subdivision 1, has been disqualified and the disqualification has not been set aside  
511.4 and no variance has been granted.

189.10 (i) Pursuant to section 142B.18, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), when a license issued  
189.11 under this chapter has been suspended or revoked and the suspension or revocation is under  
189.12 appeal, the program may continue to operate pending a final order from the commissioner.  
189.13 If the license under suspension or revocation will expire before a final order is issued, a  
189.14 temporary provisional license may be issued provided any applicable license fee is paid  
189.15 before the temporary provisional license is issued.

189.16 (j) Notwithstanding paragraph (i), when a revocation is based on the disqualification of  
189.17 a controlling individual or license holder, and the controlling individual or license holder  
189.18 is ordered under section 245C.17 to be immediately removed from direct contact with  
189.19 persons receiving services or is ordered to be under continuous, direct supervision when  
189.20 providing direct contact services, the program may continue to operate only if the program  
189.21 complies with the order and submits documentation demonstrating compliance with the  
189.22 order. If the disqualified individual fails to submit a timely request for reconsideration, or  
189.23 if the disqualification is not set aside and no variance is granted, the order to immediately  
189.24 remove the individual from direct contact or to be under continuous, direct supervision  
189.25 remains in effect pending the outcome of a hearing and final order from the commissioner.

189.26 (k) For purposes of reimbursement for meals only, under the Child and Adult Care Food  
189.27 Program, Code of Federal Regulations, title 7, subtitle B, chapter II, subchapter A, part 226,  
189.28 relocation within the same county by a licensed family day care provider, shall be considered  
189.29 an extension of the license for a period of no more than 30 calendar days or until the new  
189.30 license is issued, whichever occurs first, provided the county agency has determined the  
189.31 family day care provider meets licensure requirements at the new location.

189.32 (l) Unless otherwise specified by statute, all licenses issued under this chapter expire at  
189.33 12:01 a.m. on the day after the expiration date stated on the license. A license holder must  
189.34 apply for and be granted ~~comply with the requirements in section 142B.12 and be reissued~~  
190.1 a new license to operate the program or the program must not be operated after the expiration  
190.2 date. Child foster care license holders must apply for and be granted a new license to operate  
190.3 the program or the program must not be operated after the expiration date. Upon  
190.4 implementation of the provider licensing and reporting hub, licenses may be issued each  
190.5 calendar year.

190.6 (m) The commissioner shall not issue or reissue a license under this chapter if it has  
190.7 been determined that a tribal licensing authority has established jurisdiction to license the  
190.8 program or service.

190.9 (n) The commissioner of children, youth, and families shall coordinate and share data  
190.10 with the commissioner of human services to enforce this section.

190.11 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.10, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

190.12 Subd. 16. **Variances.** (a) The commissioner may grant variances to rules that do not  
190.13 affect the health or safety of persons in a licensed program if the following conditions are  
190.14 met:

511.5 (i) Pursuant to section 142B.18, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), when a license issued  
511.6 under this chapter has been suspended or revoked and the suspension or revocation is under  
511.7 appeal, the program may continue to operate pending a final order from the commissioner.  
511.8 If the license under suspension or revocation will expire before a final order is issued, a  
511.9 temporary provisional license may be issued provided any applicable license fee is paid  
511.10 before the temporary provisional license is issued.

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511.26 family day care provider meets licensure requirements at the new location.

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511.28 12:01 a.m. on the day after the expiration date stated on the license. A license holder must  
511.29 apply for and be granted ~~comply with the requirements in section 142B.12 and be reissued~~  
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511.31 date. Child foster care license holders must apply for and be granted a new license to operate  
511.32 the program or the program must not be operated after the expiration date. Upon  
511.33 implementation of the provider licensing and reporting hub, licenses may be issued each  
511.34 calendar year.

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512.2 been determined that a tribal licensing authority has established jurisdiction to license the  
512.3 program or service.

512.4 (n) The commissioner of children, youth, and families shall coordinate and share data  
512.5 with the commissioner of human services to enforce this section.

190.15 (1) the variance must be requested by an applicant or license holder on a form and in a  
190.16 manner prescribed by the commissioner;

190.17 (2) the request for a variance must include the reasons that the applicant or license holder  
190.18 cannot comply with a requirement as stated in the rule and the alternative equivalent measures  
190.19 that the applicant or license holder will follow to comply with the intent of the rule; and

190.20 (3) the request must state the period of time for which the variance is requested.

190.21 The commissioner may grant a permanent variance when conditions under which the variance  
190.22 is requested do not affect the health or safety of persons being served by the licensed program,  
190.23 nor compromise the qualifications of staff to provide services. The permanent variance shall  
190.24 expire as soon as the conditions that warranted the variance are modified in any way. Any  
190.25 applicant or license holder must inform the commissioner of any changes or modifications  
190.26 that have occurred in the conditions that warranted the permanent variance. Failure to advise  
190.27 the commissioner shall result in revocation of the permanent variance and may be cause for  
190.28 other sanctions under sections 142B.17 and 142B.18.

190.29 The commissioner's decision to grant or deny a variance request is final and not subject to  
190.30 appeal under the provisions of chapter 14.

190.31 (b) The commissioner shall consider variances for child care center staff qualification  
190.32 requirements under Minnesota Rules, parts 9503.0032 and 9503.0033, that do not affect  
191.1 the health and safety of children served by the center. A variance request must be submitted  
191.2 to the commissioner in accordance with paragraph (a) and must include a plan for the staff  
191.3 person to gain additional experience, education, or training, as requested by the commissioner.  
191.4 When reviewing a variance request under this section, the commissioner shall consider the  
191.5 staff person's level of professional development, including but not limited to steps completed  
191.6 on the Minnesota career lattice.

191.7 (c) The commissioner must grant a variance for a child care program's licensed capacity  
191.8 limit if:

191.9 (1) the program's indoor space is within 100 square feet of what would be required for  
191.10 maximum capacity in the program based on the program's number and qualifications of  
191.11 staff;

191.12 (2) the state fire marshal approves the variance; and

191.13 (3) the applicant or license holder submits the variance request to the commissioner in  
191.14 accordance with paragraph (a).

191.15 A child care program's licensed capacity must not increase by more than two children under  
191.16 this paragraph. For purposes of this paragraph, a "child care program" means a child care  
191.17 center or family or group family child care provider licensed under this chapter and Minnesota  
191.18 Rules, chapter 9502 or 9503.

191.19 ~~(d)~~ (d) Counties shall use a uniform application form developed by the commissioner  
191.20 for variance requests by family child care license holders.

191.21 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.16, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

191.22 Subd. 2. **Reconsideration of correction orders.** (a) If the applicant or license holder  
191.23 believes that the contents of the commissioner's correction order are in error, the applicant  
191.24 or license holder may ask the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to reconsider  
191.25 the parts of the correction order that are alleged to be in error. The request for reconsideration  
191.26 must be made in writing and must be postmarked and sent to the commissioner within 20  
191.27 calendar days after receipt of the correction order under this paragraph, or receipt of the  
191.28 interpretive guidance under paragraph (d), by the applicant or license holder or submitted  
191.29 in the provider licensing and reporting hub within 20 calendar days from the date the  
191.30 commissioner issued the order under this paragraph, or provided the interpretive guidance  
191.31 under paragraph (d), through the hub, and:

191.32 (1) specify the parts of the correction order that are alleged to be in error;

192.1 (2) explain why they are in error; and

192.2 (3) include documentation to support the allegation of error.

192.3 (b) Upon implementation of the provider licensing and reporting hub, the provider must  
192.4 use the hub to request reconsideration under this paragraph, or to request interpretive guidance  
192.5 under paragraph (d). A request for reconsideration does not stay any provisions or  
192.6 requirements of the correction order. The commissioner's disposition of a request for  
192.7 reconsideration is final and not subject to appeal under chapter 14.

192.8 ~~(b)~~ (c) This paragraph applies only to licensed family child care providers. A licensed  
192.9 family child care provider who requests reconsideration of a correction order under paragraph  
192.10 (a) may also request, on a form and in the manner prescribed by the commissioner, that the  
192.11 commissioner expedite the review if:

192.12 (1) the provider is challenging a violation and provides a description of how complying  
192.13 with the corrective action for that violation would require the substantial expenditure of  
192.14 funds or a significant change to their program; and

192.15 (2) describes what actions the provider will take in lieu of the corrective action ordered  
192.16 to ensure the health and safety of children in care pending the commissioner's review of the  
192.17 correction order.

192.18 (d) Prior to a request for reconsideration under paragraph (a), if the applicant or license  
192.19 holder believes that the applicable rule or statute is ambiguous or the commissioner's  
192.20 interpretation of the applicable rule or statute is in error, the applicant or license holder may

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498.17 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.16, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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498.22 must be made in writing and must be postmarked and sent to the commissioner within 20  
498.23 calendar days after receipt of the correction order by the applicant or license holder or  
498.24 submitted in the provider licensing and reporting hub within 20 calendar days from the date  
498.25 the commissioner issued the order through the hub, and:

498.26 (1) specify the parts of the correction order that are alleged to be in error;

498.27 (2) explain why they are in error; and

498.28 (3) include documentation to support the allegation of error.

498.29 (b) Upon implementation of the provider licensing and reporting hub, the provider must  
498.30 use the hub to request reconsideration. A request for reconsideration does not stay any  
499.1 provisions or requirements of the correction order. The commissioner's disposition of a  
499.2 request for reconsideration is final and not subject to appeal under chapter 14.

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499.8 with the corrective action for that violation would require the substantial expenditure of  
499.9 funds or a significant change to their program; and

499.10 (2) describes what actions the provider will take in lieu of the corrective action ordered  
499.11 to ensure the health and safety of children in care pending the commissioner's review of the  
499.12 correction order.

192.21 ask the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to provide interpretive guidance on  
192.22 the applicable rule or statute underlying the correction order.

192.23 (e) The commissioner must not publicly post the correction order for licensed child care  
192.24 centers or licensed family child care providers on the department's website until:

192.25 (1) after the 20-calendar-day period for requesting reconsideration; or

192.26 (2) if the applicant or license holder requested reconsideration, after the commissioner's  
192.27 disposition of a request for reconsideration is provided to the applicant or license holder.

192.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025, except that paragraph (e)  
192.29 is effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner  
192.30 of children, youth, and families must notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is  
192.31 obtained.

193.1 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.16, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

193.2 Subd. 5. **Requirement to post conditional license.** For licensed family child care  
193.3 providers and child care centers, upon receipt of any order of conditional license issued by  
193.4 the commissioner under this section, and notwithstanding a pending request for  
193.5 reconsideration of the order of conditional license by the license holder, the license holder  
193.6 shall post the order of conditional license in a place that is conspicuous to the people receiving  
193.7 services and all visitors to the facility for two years. When the order of conditional license  
193.8 is accompanied by a maltreatment investigation memorandum prepared under section  
193.9 626.557 or chapter 260E, the investigation memoranda must be posted with the order of  
193.10 conditional license, and the license holder must post both in a place that is conspicuous to  
193.11 the people receiving services and all visitors to the facility for ten years.

193.12 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.171, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

193.13 Subd. 2. **Documented technical assistance.** (a) In lieu of a correction order under section  
193.14 142B.16, the commissioner shall provide documented technical assistance to a family child  
193.15 care or child care center license holder if the commissioner finds that:

193.16 (1) the license holder has failed to comply with a requirement in this chapter or Minnesota  
193.17 Rules, chapter 9502 or 9503, that the commissioner determines to be low risk as determined  
193.18 by the child care weighted risk system;

193.19 (2) the noncompliance does not imminently endanger the health, safety, or rights of the  
193.20 persons served by the program; and

193.21 (3) the license holder did not receive documented technical assistance or a correction  
193.22 order for the same violation at the license holder's most recent annual licensing inspection.

193.23 (b) Documented technical assistance must include communication from the commissioner  
193.24 to the license holder that:

193.25 (1) states the conditions that constitute a violation of a law or rule;

499.13 (d) The commissioner must not publicly post the correction order for licensed child care  
499.14 centers or licensed family child care providers on the department's website until:

499.15 (1) after the 20-calendar-day period for requesting reconsideration; or

499.16 (2) if the applicant or license holder requested reconsideration, after the commissioner's  
499.17 disposition of a request for reconsideration is provided to the applicant or license holder.

499.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval,  
499.19 whichever is later. The commissioner of children, youth, and families must notify the revisor  
499.20 of statutes when federal approval is obtained.

512.6 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.171, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

512.7 Subd. 2. **Documented technical assistance.** (a) In lieu of a correction order under section  
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512.14 persons served by the program; and

512.15 (3) the license holder did not receive documented technical assistance or a correction  
512.16 order for the same violation at the license holder's most recent annual licensing inspection.

512.17 (b) Documented technical assistance must include communication from the commissioner  
512.18 to the license holder that:

512.19 (1) states the conditions that constitute a violation of a law or rule;

193.26 (2) references the specific law or rule violated; and  
193.27 (3) explains remedies for correcting the violation.  
193.28 ~~(e) The commissioner shall not publicly publish documented technical assistance on the~~  
193.29 ~~department's website.~~

194.1 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.18, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

194.2 Subd. 6. **Requirement to post licensing order or fine.** For licensed family child care  
194.3 providers and child care centers, upon receipt of any order of license suspension, temporary  
194.4 immediate suspension, fine, or revocation issued by the commissioner under this section,  
194.5 and notwithstanding a pending appeal of the order of license suspension, temporary  
194.6 immediate suspension, fine, or revocation by the license holder, the license holder shall  
194.7 post the order of license suspension, temporary immediate suspension, fine, or revocation  
194.8 in a place that is conspicuous to the people receiving services and all visitors to the facility  
194.9 for two years. When the order of license suspension, temporary immediate suspension, fine,  
194.10 or revocation is accompanied by a maltreatment investigation memorandum prepared under  
194.11 section 626.557 or chapter 260E, the investigation memoranda must be posted with the  
194.12 order of license suspension, temporary immediate suspension, fine, or revocation, and the  
194.13 license holder must post both in a place that is conspicuous to the people receiving services  
194.14 and all visitors to the facility for ten years.

194.15 Sec. 8. **[142B.181] POSTING LICENSING ACTIONS ON DEPARTMENT**  
194.16 **WEBSITE.**

194.17 (a) The commissioner must post a summary document for each licensing action, except  
194.18 correction orders under section 142B.16, issued to a licensed child care center and family  
194.19 child care provider on the Licensing Information Lookup public website maintained by the  
194.20 Department of Children, Youth, and Families. The commissioner must not post any  
194.21 communication, including letters, from the commissioner to the center or provider.

194.22 (b) The commissioner must remove a summary document from the Licensing Information  
194.23 Lookup public website within ten days of the length of time that the document is required  
194.24 to be posted under Code of Federal Regulations, title 45, section 98.33.

194.25 (c) The requirement to post summary documents under this section only applies to  
194.26 licensing actions issued to licensed child care centers and family child care providers after  
194.27 the effective date of this section.

194.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval,  
194.29 whichever is later. The commissioner of children, youth, and families must notify the revisor  
194.30 of statutes when federal approval is obtained.

512.20 (2) references the specific law or rule violated; and  
512.21 (3) explains remedies for correcting the violation.  
512.22 ~~(e) The commissioner shall not publicly publish documented technical assistance on the~~  
512.23 ~~department's website.~~

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499.21 Sec. 4. **[142B.181] POSTING LICENSING ACTIONS ON DEPARTMENT**  
499.22 **WEBSITE.**

499.23 (a) The commissioner must post a summary document for each licensing action issued  
499.24 to a licensed child care center and family child care provider on the Licensing Information  
499.25 Lookup public website maintained by the Department of Children, Youth, and Families.  
499.26 The commissioner must not post any communication, including letters, from the  
499.27 commissioner to the center or provider.

499.28 (b) The commissioner must remove a summary document from the Licensing Information  
499.29 Lookup public website within ten days of the length of time that the document is required  
499.30 to be posted under Code of Federal Regulations, title 45, section 98.33.

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500.2 whichever is later. The commissioner of children, youth, and families must notify the revisor  
500.3 of statutes when federal approval is obtained.

195.1       Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.30, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

195.2           Subdivision 1. **Delegation of authority to agencies.** (a) County agencies and private

195.3 agencies that have been designated or licensed by the commissioner to perform licensing

195.4 functions and activities under section 142B.10; to recommend denial of applicants under

195.5 section 142B.15; to issue correction orders, to issue variances, and to recommend a

195.6 conditional license under section 142B.16; or to recommend suspending or revoking a

195.7 license or issuing a fine under section 142B.18, shall comply with rules and directives of

195.8 the commissioner governing those functions and with this section. The following variances

195.9 are excluded from the delegation of variance authority and may be issued only by the

195.10 commissioner:

195.11       (1) dual licensure of family child care and family child foster care;

195.12       (2) child foster care maximum age requirement;

195.13       (3) variances regarding disqualified individuals;

195.14       (4) variances to requirements relating to chemical use problems of a license holder or a

195.15 household member of a license holder; and

195.16       (5) variances to section 142B.74 for a time-limited period. If the commissioner grants

195.17 a variance under this clause, the license holder must provide notice of the variance to all

195.18 parents and guardians of the children in care.

195.19       (b) The commissioners of human services and children, youth, and families must both

195.20 approve a variance for dual licensure of family child foster care and family adult foster care

195.21 or family adult foster care and family child care. Variances under this paragraph are excluded

195.22 from the delegation of variance authority and may be issued only by both commissioners.

195.23       (c) Except as provided in section 142B.41, subdivision 4, paragraph (e), a county agency

195.24 must not grant a license holder a variance to exceed the maximum allowable family child

195.25 care license capacity of 14 children.

195.26       (d) A county agency that has been designated by the commissioner to issue family child

195.27 care variances must:

195.28       (1) publish the county agency's policies and criteria for issuing variances on the county's

195.29 public website and update the policies as necessary; and

195.30       (2) annually distribute the county agency's policies and criteria for issuing variances to

195.31 all family child care license holders in the county.

196.1       (e) Before the implementation of NETStudy 2.0, county agencies must report information

196.2 about disqualification reconsiderations under sections 245C.25 and 245C.27, subdivision

196.3 2, paragraphs (a) and (b), and variances granted under paragraph (a), clause (5), to the

196.4 commissioner at least monthly in a format prescribed by the commissioner.

512.24       Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.30, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

512.25           Subdivision 1. **Delegation of authority to agencies.** (a) County agencies and private

512.26 agencies that have been designated or licensed by the commissioner to perform licensing

512.27 functions and activities under section 142B.10; to recommend denial of applicants under

512.28 section 142B.15; to issue correction orders, to issue variances, and to recommend a

512.29 conditional license under section 142B.16; or to recommend suspending or revoking a

512.30 license or issuing a fine under section 142B.18, shall comply with rules and directives of

512.31 the commissioner governing those functions and with this section. The following variances

513.1 are excluded from the delegation of variance authority and may be issued only by the

513.2 commissioner:

513.3       (1) dual licensure of family child care and family child foster care;

513.4       (2) child foster care maximum age requirement;

513.5       (3) variances regarding disqualified individuals;

513.6       (4) variances to requirements relating to chemical use problems of a license holder or a

513.7 household member of a license holder; and

513.8       (5) variances to section 142B.74 for a time-limited period. If the commissioner grants

513.9 a variance under this clause, the license holder must provide notice of the variance to all

513.10 parents and guardians of the children in care.

513.11       (b) The commissioners of human services and children, youth, and families must both

513.12 approve a variance for dual licensure of family child foster care and family adult foster care

513.13 or family adult foster care and family child care. Variances under this paragraph are excluded

513.14 from the delegation of variance authority and may be issued only by both commissioners.

513.15       (c) Except as provided in section 142B.41, subdivision 4, paragraph (e), a county agency

513.16 must not grant a license holder a variance to exceed the maximum allowable family child

513.17 care license capacity of 14 children.

513.18       (d) A county agency that has been designated by the commissioner to issue family child

513.19 care variances must:

513.20       (1) publish the county agency's policies and criteria for issuing variances on the county's

513.21 public website and update the policies as necessary; and

513.22       (2) annually distribute the county agency's policies and criteria for issuing variances to

513.23 all family child care license holders in the county.

513.24       (e) Before the implementation of NETStudy 2.0, county agencies must report information

513.25 about disqualification reconsiderations under sections 245C.25 and 245C.27, subdivision

513.26 2, paragraphs (a) and (b), and variances granted under paragraph (a), clause (5), to the

513.27 commissioner at least monthly in a format prescribed by the commissioner.



196.5 (f) For family child care programs, the commissioner shall require a county agency to  
196.6 conduct one unannounced licensing review at least annually.

196.7 (g) A child foster care license issued under this section may be issued for up to two years  
196.8 until implementation of the provider licensing and reporting hub. Upon implementation of  
196.9 the provider licensing and reporting hub, licenses may be issued each calendar year.

196.10 (h) A county agency shall report to the commissioner, in a manner prescribed by the  
196.11 commissioner, the following information for a licensed family child care program:

196.12 (1) the results of each licensing review completed, including the date of the review, and  
196.13 any licensing correction order issued;

196.14 (2) any death, serious injury, or determination of substantiated maltreatment; and

196.15 (3) any fires that require the service of a fire department within 48 hours of the fire. The  
196.16 information under this clause must also be reported to the state fire marshal within two  
196.17 business days of receiving notice from a licensed family child care provider.

196.18 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.41, is amended by adding a subdivision  
196.19 to read:

196.20 Subd. 7a. **Staff distribution.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0040, subpart  
196.21 2, item B, an aide may substitute for a teacher during morning arrival and afternoon departure  
196.22 times in a licensed child care center if the total arrival and departure time does not exceed  
196.23 25 percent of the center's daily hours of operation. In order for an aide to be used in this  
196.24 capacity, an aide must:

196.25 (1) be at least 18 years of age;

196.26 (2) have worked in the licensed child care center for a minimum of 30 days; and

196.27 (3) have completed all preservice and first-90-days training required for licensing.

196.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025.

197.1 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.51, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

197.2 Subd. 2. **Child passenger restraint systems; training requirement.** (a) Programs  
197.3 licensed by the Department of Human Services under chapter 245A or the Department of  
197.4 Children, Youth, and Families under this chapter and Minnesota Rules, chapter 2960, that  
197.5 serve a child or children under eight nine years of age must document training that fulfills  
197.6 the requirements in this subdivision.

197.7 (b) Before a license holder, staff person, or caregiver transports a child or children under  
197.8 age eight nine in a motor vehicle, the person transporting the child must satisfactorily  
197.9 complete training on the proper use and installation of child restraint systems in motor

513.28 (f) For family child care programs, the commissioner shall require a county agency to  
513.29 conduct one unannounced licensing review at least annually.

513.30 (g) A child foster care license issued under this section may be issued for up to two years  
513.31 until implementation of the provider licensing and reporting hub. Upon implementation of  
513.32 the provider licensing and reporting hub, licenses may be issued each calendar year.

514.1 (h) A county agency shall report to the commissioner, in a manner prescribed by the  
514.2 commissioner, the following information for a licensed family child care program:

514.3 (1) the results of each licensing review completed, including the date of the review, and  
514.4 any licensing correction order issued;

514.5 (2) any death, serious injury, or determination of substantiated maltreatment; and

514.6 (3) any fires that require the service of a fire department within 48 hours of the fire. The  
514.7 information under this clause must also be reported to the state fire marshal within two  
514.8 business days of receiving notice from a licensed family child care provider.

514.9 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.41, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
514.10 read:

514.11 Subd. 14. **Staff distribution.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0040, subpart  
514.12 2, item B, a child care aide in a licensed child care center may be substituted for a teacher  
514.13 during morning arrival and afternoon departure times if the total arrival and departure time  
514.14 does not exceed 25 percent of the center's daily hours of operation. For a child care aide to  
514.15 be substituted for a teacher under this subdivision, the child care aide must:

514.16 (1) be 18 years of age or older;

514.17 (2) have been employed by the child care center for a minimum of 30 days; and

514.18 (3) have completed the training required under section 142B.65, including orientation  
514.19 training and the training required within the first 90 days of employment.

514.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025.

514.21 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.51, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

514.22 Subd. 2. **Child passenger restraint systems; training requirement.** (a) Programs  
514.23 licensed by the Department of Human Services under chapter 245A or the Department of  
514.24 Children, Youth, and Families under this chapter and Minnesota Rules, chapter 2960, that  
514.25 serve a child or children under eight nine years of age must document training that fulfills  
514.26 the requirements in this subdivision.

514.27 (b) Before a license holder, staff person, or caregiver transports a child or children under  
514.28 age eight nine in a motor vehicle, the person transporting the child must satisfactorily  
514.29 complete training on the proper use and installation of child restraint systems in motor

197.10 vehicles. Training completed under this section may be used to meet initial or ongoing  
197.11 training under Minnesota Rules, part 2960.3070, subparts 1 and 2.

197.12 (c) Training required under this section must be completed at orientation or initial training  
197.13 and repeated at least once every five years. At a minimum, the training must address the  
197.14 proper use of child restraint systems based on the child's size, weight, and age, and the  
197.15 proper installation of a car seat or booster seat in the motor vehicle used by the license  
197.16 holder to transport the child or children.

197.17 (d) Training under paragraph (c) must be provided by individuals who are certified and  
197.18 approved by the Office of Traffic Safety within the Department of Public Safety. License  
197.19 holders may obtain a list of certified and approved trainers through the Department of Public  
197.20 Safety website or by contacting the agency.

197.21 ~~(e) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), for an emergency relative placement under section~~  
197.22 ~~142B.06, the commissioner may grant a variance to the training required by this subdivision~~  
197.23 ~~for a relative who completes a child seat safety check up. The child seat safety check up~~  
197.24 ~~trainer must be approved by the Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety, and~~  
197.25 ~~must provide one-on-one instruction on placing a child of a specific age in the exact child~~  
197.26 ~~passenger restraint in the motor vehicle in which the child will be transported. Once granted~~  
197.27 ~~a variance, and if all other licensing requirements are met, the relative applicant may receive~~  
197.28 ~~a license and may transport a relative foster child younger than eight years of age. A child~~  
197.29 ~~seat safety check up must be completed each time a child requires a different size car seat~~  
197.30 ~~according to car seat and vehicle manufacturer guidelines. A relative license holder must~~  
197.31 ~~complete training that meets the other requirements of this subdivision prior to placement~~  
197.32 ~~of another foster child younger than eight years of age in the home or prior to the renewal~~  
197.33 ~~of the child foster care license.~~

198.1 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026, except paragraph (c),  
198.2 which is effective July 1, 2026.

198.3 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.65, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

198.4 Subd. 8. **Child passenger restraint systems; training requirement.** (a) Before a license  
198.5 holder transports a child or children under age ~~eight~~ nine in a motor vehicle, the person  
198.6 placing the child or children in a passenger restraint must satisfactorily complete training  
198.7 on the proper use and installation of child restraint systems in motor vehicles.

198.8 (b) Training required under this subdivision must be repeated at least once every five  
198.9 years. At a minimum, the training must address the proper use of child restraint systems  
198.10 based on the child's size, weight, and age, and the proper installation of a car seat or booster  
198.11 seat in the motor vehicle used by the license holder to transport the child or children.

198.12 (c) Training required under this subdivision must be provided by individuals who are  
198.13 certified and approved by the Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety. License  
198.14 holders may obtain a list of certified and approved trainers through the Department of Public  
198.15 Safety website or by contacting the agency.

514.30 vehicles. Training completed under this section may be used to meet initial or ongoing  
514.31 training under Minnesota Rules, part 2960.3070, subparts 1 and 2.

515.1 (c) Training required under this section must be completed at orientation or initial training  
515.2 and repeated at least once every five years. At a minimum, the training must address the  
515.3 proper use of child restraint systems based on the child's size, weight, and age, and the  
515.4 proper installation of a car seat or booster seat in the motor vehicle used by the license  
515.5 holder to transport the child or children.

515.6 (d) Training under paragraph (c) must be provided by individuals who are certified and  
515.7 approved by the Office of Traffic Safety within the Department of Public Safety. License  
515.8 holders may obtain a list of certified and approved trainers through the Department of Public  
515.9 Safety website or by contacting the agency.

515.10 ~~(e) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), for an emergency relative placement under section~~  
515.11 ~~142B.06, the commissioner may grant a variance to the training required by this subdivision~~  
515.12 ~~for a relative who completes a child seat safety check up. The child seat safety check up~~  
515.13 ~~trainer must be approved by the Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety, and~~  
515.14 ~~must provide one-on-one instruction on placing a child of a specific age in the exact child~~  
515.15 ~~passenger restraint in the motor vehicle in which the child will be transported. Once granted~~  
515.16 ~~a variance, and if all other licensing requirements are met, the relative applicant may receive~~  
515.17 ~~a license and may transport a relative foster child younger than eight years of age. A child~~  
515.18 ~~seat safety check up must be completed each time a child requires a different size car seat~~  
515.19 ~~according to car seat and vehicle manufacturer guidelines. A relative license holder must~~  
515.20 ~~complete training that meets the other requirements of this subdivision prior to placement~~  
515.21 ~~of another foster child younger than eight years of age in the home or prior to the renewal~~  
515.22 ~~of the child foster care license.~~

515.23 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026.

515.24 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.65, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

515.25 Subd. 8. **Child passenger restraint systems; training requirement.** (a) Before a license  
515.26 holder transports a child or children under age ~~eight~~ nine in a motor vehicle, the person  
515.27 placing the child or children in a passenger restraint must satisfactorily complete training  
515.28 on the proper use and installation of child restraint systems in motor vehicles.

515.29 (b) Training required under this subdivision must be repeated at least once every five  
515.30 years. At a minimum, the training must address the proper use of child restraint systems  
515.31 based on the child's size, weight, and age, and the proper installation of a car seat or booster  
515.32 seat in the motor vehicle used by the license holder to transport the child or children.

516.1 (c) Training required under this subdivision must be provided by individuals who are  
516.2 certified and approved by the Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety. License  
516.3 holders may obtain a list of certified and approved trainers through the Department of Public  
516.4 Safety website or by contacting the agency.

198.16 (d) Child care providers that only transport school-age children as defined in section  
198.17 142B.01, subdivision 25, in child care buses as defined in section 169.448, subdivision 1,  
198.18 paragraph (e), are exempt from this subdivision.

198.19 (e) Training completed under this subdivision may be used to meet in-service training  
198.20 requirements under subdivision 9. Training completed within the previous five years is  
198.21 transferable upon a staff person's change in employment to another child care center.

198.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.

198.23 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.65, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

198.24 Subd. 9. **In-service training.** (a) A license holder must ensure that the center director,  
198.25 staff persons, substitutes, and unsupervised volunteers complete in-service training each  
198.26 calendar year.

198.27 (b) The center director and staff persons who work more than 20 hours per week must  
198.28 complete 24 hours of in-service training each calendar year. Staff persons who work 20  
198.29 hours or less per week must complete 12 hours of in-service training each calendar year.  
198.30 Substitutes and unsupervised volunteers must complete at least two hours of training each  
198.31 year, and the training must include the requirements of paragraphs (d) to (g) and do not  
198.32 otherwise have a minimum number of hours of training to complete.

199.1 (c) The number of in-service training hours may be prorated for ~~individuals~~ center  
199.2 directors and staff persons not employed for an entire year.

199.3 (d) Each year, in-service training must include:

199.4 (1) the center's procedures for maintaining health and safety according to section 142B.66  
199.5 and Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0140, and handling emergencies and accidents according  
199.6 to Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0110;

199.7 (2) the reporting responsibilities under chapter 260E and Minnesota Rules, part  
199.8 9503.0130;

199.9 (3) at least one-half hour of training on the standards under section 142B.46 and on  
199.10 reducing the risk of sudden unexpected infant death as required under subdivision 6, if  
199.11 applicable; and

199.12 (4) at least one-half hour of training on the risk of abusive head trauma from shaking  
199.13 infants and young children as required under subdivision 7, if applicable.

199.14 (e) Each year, or when a change is made, whichever is more frequent, in-service training  
199.15 must be provided on: (1) the center's risk reduction plan under section 142B.54, subdivision  
199.16 2; and (2) a child's individual child care program plan as required under Minnesota Rules,  
199.17 part 9503.0065, subpart 3.

199.18 (f) At least once every two calendar years, the in-service training must include:

516.5 (d) Child care providers that only transport school-age children as defined in section  
516.6 142B.01, subdivision 25, in child care buses as defined in section 169.448, subdivision 1,  
516.7 paragraph (e), are exempt from this subdivision.

516.8 (e) Training completed under this subdivision may be used to meet in-service training  
516.9 requirements under subdivision 9. Training completed within the previous five years is  
516.10 transferable upon a staff person's change in employment to another child care center.

516.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.

516.12 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.65, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

516.13 Subd. 9. **In-service training.** (a) A license holder must ensure that the center director,  
516.14 staff persons, substitutes, and unsupervised volunteers complete in-service training each  
516.15 calendar year.

516.16 (b) The center director and staff persons who work more than 20 hours per week must  
516.17 complete 24 hours of in-service training each calendar year. Staff persons who work 20  
516.18 hours or less per week must complete 12 hours of in-service training each calendar year.  
516.19 Substitutes and unsupervised volunteers must complete at least two hours of training each  
516.20 year, and the training must include the requirements of paragraphs (d) to (g) and do not  
516.21 otherwise have a minimum number of hours of training to complete.

516.22 (c) The number of in-service training hours may be prorated for ~~individuals~~ center  
516.23 directors and staff persons not employed for an entire year.

516.24 (d) Each year, in-service training must include:

516.25 (1) the center's procedures for maintaining health and safety according to section 142B.66  
516.26 and Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0140, and handling emergencies and accidents according  
516.27 to Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0110;

516.28 (2) the reporting responsibilities under chapter 260E and Minnesota Rules, part  
516.29 9503.0130;

516.30 (3) at least one-half hour of training on the standards under section 142B.46 and on  
516.31 reducing the risk of sudden unexpected infant death as required under subdivision 6, if  
516.32 applicable; and

517.1 (4) at least one-half hour of training on the risk of abusive head trauma from shaking  
517.2 infants and young children as required under subdivision 7, if applicable.

517.3 (e) Each year, or when a change is made, whichever is more frequent, in-service training  
517.4 must be provided on: (1) the center's risk reduction plan under section 142B.54, subdivision  
517.5 2; and (2) a child's individual child care program plan as required under Minnesota Rules,  
517.6 part 9503.0065, subpart 3.

517.7 (f) At least once every two calendar years, the in-service training must include:

199.19 (1) child development and learning training under subdivision 3;  
199.20 (2) pediatric first aid that meets the requirements of subdivision 4;  
199.21 (3) pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation training that meets the requirements of  
199.22 subdivision 5;  
199.23 (4) cultural dynamics training to increase awareness of cultural differences; and  
199.24 (5) disabilities training to increase awareness of differing abilities of children.  
199.25 (g) At least once every five years, in-service training must include child passenger  
199.26 restraint training that meets the requirements of subdivision 8, if applicable.  
199.27 (h) The remaining hours of the in-service training requirement must be met by completing  
199.28 training in the following content areas of the Minnesota Knowledge and Competency  
199.29 Framework:  
199.30 (1) Content area I: child development and learning;  
199.31 (2) Content area II: developmentally appropriate learning experiences;  
200.1 (3) Content area III: relationships with families;  
200.2 (4) Content area IV: assessment, evaluation, and individualization;  
200.3 (5) Content area V: historical and contemporary development of early childhood  
200.4 education;  
200.5 (6) Content area VI: professionalism;  
200.6 (7) Content area VII: health, safety, and nutrition; and  
200.7 (8) Content area VIII: application through clinical experiences.  
200.8 (i) For purposes of this subdivision, the following terms have the meanings given them.  
200.9 (1) "Child development and learning training" means training in understanding how  
200.10 children develop physically, cognitively, emotionally, and socially and learn as part of the  
200.11 children's family, culture, and community.  
200.12 (2) "Developmentally appropriate learning experiences" means creating positive learning  
200.13 experiences, promoting cognitive development, promoting social and emotional development,  
200.14 promoting physical development, and promoting creative development.  
200.15 (3) "Relationships with families" means training on building a positive, respectful  
200.16 relationship with the child's family.  
200.17 (4) "Assessment, evaluation, and individualization" means training in observing,  
200.18 recording, and assessing development; assessing and using information to plan; and assessing  
200.19 and using information to enhance and maintain program quality.

517.8 (1) child development and learning training under subdivision 3;  
517.9 (2) pediatric first aid that meets the requirements of subdivision 4;  
517.10 (3) pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation training that meets the requirements of  
517.11 subdivision 5;  
517.12 (4) cultural dynamics training to increase awareness of cultural differences; and  
517.13 (5) disabilities training to increase awareness of differing abilities of children.  
517.14 (g) At least once every five years, in-service training must include child passenger  
517.15 restraint training that meets the requirements of subdivision 8, if applicable.  
517.16 (h) The remaining hours of the in-service training requirement must be met by completing  
517.17 training in the following content areas of the Minnesota Knowledge and Competency  
517.18 Framework:  
517.19 (1) Content area I: child development and learning;  
517.20 (2) Content area II: developmentally appropriate learning experiences;  
517.21 (3) Content area III: relationships with families;  
517.22 (4) Content area IV: assessment, evaluation, and individualization;  
517.23 (5) Content area V: historical and contemporary development of early childhood  
517.24 education;  
517.25 (6) Content area VI: professionalism;  
517.26 (7) Content area VII: health, safety, and nutrition; and  
517.27 (8) Content area VIII: application through clinical experiences.  
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518.2 children develop physically, cognitively, emotionally, and socially and learn as part of the  
518.3 children's family, culture, and community.  
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518.5 experiences, promoting cognitive development, promoting social and emotional development,  
518.6 promoting physical development, and promoting creative development.  
518.7 (3) "Relationships with families" means training on building a positive, respectful  
518.8 relationship with the child's family.  
518.9 (4) "Assessment, evaluation, and individualization" means training in observing,  
518.10 recording, and assessing development; assessing and using information to plan; and assessing  
518.11 and using information to enhance and maintain program quality.

200.20 (5) "Historical and contemporary development of early childhood education" means  
200.21 training in past and current practices in early childhood education and how current events  
200.22 and issues affect children, families, and programs.

200.23 (6) "Professionalism" means training in knowledge, skills, and abilities that promote  
200.24 ongoing professional development.

200.25 (7) "Health, safety, and nutrition" means training in establishing health practices, ensuring  
200.26 safety, and providing healthy nutrition.

200.27 (8) "Application through clinical experiences" means clinical experiences in which a  
200.28 person applies effective teaching practices using a range of educational programming models.

200.29 (j) The license holder must ensure that documentation, as required in subdivision 10,  
200.30 includes the number of total training hours required to be completed, name of the training,  
201.1 the Minnesota Knowledge and Competency Framework content area, number of hours  
201.2 completed, and the director's approval of the training.

201.3 (k) In-service training completed by a staff person that is not specific to that child care  
201.4 center is transferable upon a staff person's change in employment to another child care  
201.5 program.

201.6 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.66, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

201.7 Subd. 3. **Emergency preparedness.** (a) A licensed child care center must have a written  
201.8 emergency plan for emergencies that require evacuation, sheltering, or other protection of  
201.9 a child, such as fire, natural disaster, intruder, or other threatening situation that may pose  
201.10 a health or safety hazard to a child. The plan must be written on a form developed by the  
201.11 commissioner and must include:

201.12 (1) procedures for an evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, or lockdown;  
201.13 (2) a designated relocation site and evacuation route;

201.14 (3) procedures for notifying a child's parent or legal guardian of the evacuation, relocation,  
201.15 shelter-in-place, or lockdown, including procedures for reunification with families;

201.16 (4) accommodations for a child with a disability or a chronic medical condition;

201.17 (5) procedures for storing a child's medically necessary medicine that facilitates easy  
201.18 removal during an evacuation or relocation;

201.19 (6) procedures for continuing operations in the period during and after a crisis;

201.20 (7) procedures for communicating with local emergency management officials, law  
201.21 enforcement officials, or other appropriate state or local authorities; and

201.22 (8) accommodations for infants and toddlers.

518.12 (5) "Historical and contemporary development of early childhood education" means  
518.13 training in past and current practices in early childhood education and how current events  
518.14 and issues affect children, families, and programs.

518.15 (6) "Professionalism" means training in knowledge, skills, and abilities that promote  
518.16 ongoing professional development.

518.17 (7) "Health, safety, and nutrition" means training in establishing health practices, ensuring  
518.18 safety, and providing healthy nutrition.

518.19 (8) "Application through clinical experiences" means clinical experiences in which a  
518.20 person applies effective teaching practices using a range of educational programming models.

518.21 (j) The license holder must ensure that documentation, as required in subdivision 10,  
518.22 includes the number of total training hours required to be completed, name of the training,  
518.23 the Minnesota Knowledge and Competency Framework content area, number of hours  
518.24 completed, and the director's approval of the training.

518.25 (k) In-service training completed by a staff person that is not specific to that child care  
518.26 center is transferable upon a staff person's change in employment to another child care  
518.27 program.

518.28 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.66, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

518.29 Subd. 3. **Emergency preparedness.** (a) A licensed child care center must have a written  
518.30 emergency plan for emergencies that require evacuation, sheltering, or other protection of  
518.31 a child, such as fire, natural disaster, intruder, or other threatening situation that may pose  
519.1 a health or safety hazard to a child. The plan must be written on a form developed by the  
519.2 commissioner and must include:

519.3 (1) procedures for an evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, or lockdown;  
519.4 (2) a designated relocation site and evacuation route;

519.5 (3) procedures for notifying a child's parent or legal guardian of the evacuation, relocation,  
519.6 shelter-in-place, or lockdown, including procedures for reunification with families;

519.7 (4) accommodations for a child with a disability or a chronic medical condition;

519.8 (5) procedures for storing a child's medically necessary medicine that facilitates easy  
519.9 removal during an evacuation or relocation;

519.10 (6) procedures for continuing operations in the period during and after a crisis;

519.11 (7) procedures for communicating with local emergency management officials, law  
519.12 enforcement officials, or other appropriate state or local authorities; and

519.13 (8) accommodations for infants and toddlers.

201.23 (b) The license holder must train staff persons on the emergency plan at orientation,  
201.24 when changes are made to the plan, and at least once each calendar year. Training must be  
201.25 documented in each staff person's personnel file.

201.26 (c) The license holder must conduct drills according to the requirements in Minnesota  
201.27 Rules, part 9503.0110, subpart 3. The date and time of the drills must be documented.

201.28 (d) The license holder must review and update the emergency plan ~~annually each calendar~~  
201.29 year. Documentation of the ~~annual~~ yearly emergency plan review shall be maintained in  
201.30 the program's administrative records.

202.1 (e) The license holder must include the emergency plan in the program's policies and  
202.2 procedures as specified under section 142B.10, subdivision 21. The license holder must  
202.3 provide a physical or electronic copy of the emergency plan to the child's parent or legal  
202.4 guardian upon enrollment.

202.5 (f) The relocation site and evacuation route must be posted in a visible place as part of  
202.6 the written procedures for emergencies and accidents in Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0140,  
202.7 subpart 21.

202.8 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.70, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

202.9 Subd. 7. **Child passenger restraint systems; training requirement.** (a) A license  
202.10 holder must comply with all seat belt and child passenger restraint system requirements  
202.11 under section 169.685.

202.12 (b) Family and group family child care programs licensed by the Department of Children,  
202.13 Youth, and Families that serve a child or children under ~~eight~~ nine years of age must  
202.14 document training that fulfills the requirements in this subdivision.

202.15 (1) Before a license holder, second adult caregiver, substitute, or helper transports a  
202.16 child or children under age ~~eight~~ nine in a motor vehicle, the person placing the child or  
202.17 children in a passenger restraint must satisfactorily complete training on the proper use and  
202.18 installation of child restraint systems in motor vehicles. Training completed under this  
202.19 subdivision may be used to meet initial training under subdivision 1 or ongoing training  
202.20 under subdivision 8.

202.21 (2) Training required under this subdivision must be at least one hour in length, completed  
202.22 at initial training, and repeated at least once every five years. At a minimum, the training  
202.23 must address the proper use of child restraint systems based on the child's size, weight, and  
202.24 age, and the proper installation of a car seat or booster seat in the motor vehicle used by the  
202.25 license holder to transport the child or children.

202.26 (3) Training under this subdivision must be provided by individuals who are certified  
202.27 and approved by the Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety. License holders  
202.28 may obtain a list of certified and approved trainers through the Department of Public Safety  
202.29 website or by contacting the agency.

519.14 (b) The license holder must train staff persons on the emergency plan at orientation,  
519.15 when changes are made to the plan, and at least once each calendar year. Training must be  
519.16 documented in each staff person's personnel file.

519.17 (c) The license holder must conduct drills according to the requirements in Minnesota  
519.18 Rules, part 9503.0110, subpart 3. The date and time of the drills must be documented.

519.19 (d) The license holder must review and update the emergency plan ~~annually each calendar~~  
519.20 year. Documentation of the ~~annual~~ yearly emergency plan review shall be maintained in  
519.21 the program's administrative records.

519.22 (e) The license holder must include the emergency plan in the program's policies and  
519.23 procedures as specified under section 142B.10, subdivision 21. The license holder must  
519.24 provide a physical or electronic copy of the emergency plan to the child's parent or legal  
519.25 guardian upon enrollment.

519.26 (f) The relocation site and evacuation route must be posted in a visible place as part of  
519.27 the written procedures for emergencies and accidents in Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0140,  
519.28 subpart 21.

520.1 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.70, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

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520.3 holder must comply with all seat belt and child passenger restraint system requirements  
520.4 under section 169.685.

520.5 (b) Family and group family child care programs licensed by the Department of Children,  
520.6 Youth, and Families that serve a child or children under ~~eight~~ nine years of age must  
520.7 document training that fulfills the requirements in this subdivision.

520.8 (1) Before a license holder, second adult caregiver, substitute, or helper transports a  
520.9 child or children under age ~~eight~~ nine in a motor vehicle, the person placing the child or  
520.10 children in a passenger restraint must satisfactorily complete training on the proper use and  
520.11 installation of child restraint systems in motor vehicles. Training completed under this  
520.12 subdivision may be used to meet initial training under subdivision 1 or ongoing training  
520.13 under subdivision 8.

520.14 (2) Training required under this subdivision must be at least one hour in length, completed  
520.15 at initial training, and repeated at least once every five years. At a minimum, the training  
520.16 must address the proper use of child restraint systems based on the child's size, weight, and  
520.17 age, and the proper installation of a car seat or booster seat in the motor vehicle used by the  
520.18 license holder to transport the child or children.

520.19 (3) Training under this subdivision must be provided by individuals who are certified  
520.20 and approved by the Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety. License holders  
520.21 may obtain a list of certified and approved trainers through the Department of Public Safety  
520.22 website or by contacting the agency.

202.30 (c) Child care providers that only transport school-age children as defined in section  
202.31 142B.01, subdivision 13, paragraph (f), in child care buses as defined in section 169.448,  
202.32 subdivision 1, paragraph (e), are exempt from this subdivision.

202.33 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.

203.1 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.70, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

203.2 Subd. 8. **Training requirements for family and group family child care.** (a) For  
203.3 purposes of family and group family child care, the license holder and each second adult  
203.4 caregiver must complete 16 hours of ongoing training each year. Repeat of topical training  
203.5 requirements in subdivisions 3 to 9 shall count toward the annual 16-hour training  
203.6 requirement. Additional ongoing training subjects to meet the annual 16-hour training  
203.7 requirement must be selected from the following areas:

203.8 (1) child development and learning training in understanding how a child develops  
203.9 physically, cognitively, emotionally, and socially, and how a child learns as part of the  
203.10 child's family, culture, and community;

203.11 (2) developmentally appropriate learning experiences, including training in creating  
203.12 positive learning experiences, promoting cognitive development, promoting social and  
203.13 emotional development, promoting physical development, promoting creative development;  
203.14 and behavior guidance;

203.15 (3) relationships with families, including training in building a positive, respectful  
203.16 relationship with the child's family;

203.17 (4) assessment, evaluation, and individualization, including training in observing,  
203.18 recording, and assessing development; assessing and using information to plan; and assessing  
203.19 and using information to enhance and maintain program quality;

203.20 (5) historical and contemporary development of early childhood education, including  
203.21 training in past and current practices in early childhood education and how current events  
203.22 and issues affect children, families, and programs;

203.23 (6) professionalism, including training in knowledge, skills, and abilities that promote  
203.24 ongoing professional development; and

203.25 (7) health, safety, and nutrition, including training in establishing healthy practices;  
203.26 ensuring safety; and providing healthy nutrition.

203.27 (b) A provider who is approved as a trainer through the Develop data system may count  
203.28 up to two hours of training instruction toward the annual 16-hour training requirement in  
203.29 paragraph (a). The provider may only count training instruction hours for the first instance  
203.30 in which they deliver a particular content-specific training during each licensing year. Hours  
203.31 counted as training instruction must be approved through the Develop data system with  
203.32 attendance verified on the trainer's individual learning record and must be in Knowledge

520.23 (c) Child care providers that only transport school-age children as defined in section  
520.24 142B.01, subdivision 13, paragraph (f), in child care buses as defined in section 169.448,  
520.25 subdivision 1, paragraph (e), are exempt from this subdivision.

520.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.

520.27 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.70, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

520.28 Subd. 8. **Training requirements for family and group family child care.** (a) For  
520.29 purposes of family and group family child care, the license holder and each second adult  
520.30 caregiver must complete 16 hours of ongoing training each year. Repeat of topical training  
520.31 requirements in subdivisions 3 to 9 shall count toward the annual 16-hour training  
520.32 requirement. Additional ongoing training subjects to meet the annual 16-hour training  
520.33 requirement must be selected from the following areas:

521.1 (1) child development and learning training in understanding how a child develops  
521.2 physically, cognitively, emotionally, and socially, and how a child learns as part of the  
521.3 child's family, culture, and community;

521.4 (2) developmentally appropriate learning experiences, including training in creating  
521.5 positive learning experiences, promoting cognitive development, promoting social and  
521.6 emotional development, promoting physical development, promoting creative development;  
521.7 and behavior guidance;

521.8 (3) relationships with families, including training in building a positive, respectful  
521.9 relationship with the child's family;

521.10 (4) assessment, evaluation, and individualization, including training in observing,  
521.11 recording, and assessing development; assessing and using information to plan; and assessing  
521.12 and using information to enhance and maintain program quality;

521.13 (5) historical and contemporary development of early childhood education, including  
521.14 training in past and current practices in early childhood education and how current events  
521.15 and issues affect children, families, and programs;

521.16 (6) professionalism, including training in knowledge, skills, and abilities that promote  
521.17 ongoing professional development; and

521.18 (7) health, safety, and nutrition, including training in establishing healthy practices;  
521.19 ensuring safety; and providing healthy nutrition.

521.20 (b) A provider who is approved as a trainer through the Develop data system may count  
521.21 up to two hours of training instruction toward the annual 16-hour training requirement in  
521.22 paragraph (a). The provider may only count training instruction hours for the first instance  
521.23 in which they deliver a particular content-specific training during each licensing year. Hours  
521.24 counted as training instruction must be approved through the Develop data system with  
521.25 attendance verified on the trainer's individual learning record and must be in Knowledge

204.1 and Competency Framework content area VII A (Establishing Healthy Practices) or B  
204.2 (Ensuring Safety).

204.3 (c) Substitutes and adult caregivers who provide care for 500 or fewer hours per year  
204.4 must complete a minimum of one hour of training each calendar year, and the training must  
204.5 include the requirements in subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, and 9.

204.6 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.77, is amended to read:

204.7 **142B.77 SUPERVISION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR FAMILY CHILD CARE**  
204.8 **LICENSE HOLDER'S OWN CHILD.**

204.9 Subdivision 1. **Supervision of license holder's own child.** (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota  
204.10 Rules, part 9502.0365, subpart 5, and with the license holder's consent, an individual may  
204.11 be present in the licensed space, may supervise the family child care license holder's own  
204.12 child both inside and outside of the licensed space, and is exempt from the training and  
204.13 supervision requirements of this chapter and Minnesota Rules, chapter 9502, if the individual:

204.14 (1) is related to the license holder or to the license holder's child, as defined in section  
204.15 142B.01, subdivision 15, or is a household member who the license holder has reported to  
204.16 the county agency;

204.17 (2) is not a designated caregiver, helper, or substitute for the licensed program;

204.18 (3) is involved only in the care of the license holder's own child; and

204.19 (4) does not have direct, unsupervised contact with any nonrelative children receiving  
204.20 services.

204.21 (b) If the individual in paragraph (a) is not a household member, the individual is also  
204.22 exempt from background study requirements under chapter 245C.

204.23 Subd. 2. **Exclusion from licensed capacity.** For the purposes of licensed capacity  
204.24 requirements under Minnesota Rules, part 9502.0367, one of a license holder's own children  
204.25 is excluded from licensed capacity, provided the excluded child is at least eight years old  
204.26 and the license holder has never been determined to have maltreated a child or vulnerable  
204.27 adult under section 626.557 or chapter 260E.

204.28 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142C.06, is amended by adding a subdivision  
204.29 to read:

204.30 Subd. 4. **Requirement to post conditional certification.** Upon receipt of any order of  
204.31 conditional certification issued by the commissioner under this section, and notwithstanding  
205.1 a pending request for reconsideration of the order of conditional certification by the  
205.2 certification holder, the certification holder shall post the order of conditional certification  
205.3 in a place that is conspicuous to the people receiving services and all visitors to the facility  
205.4 for the duration of the conditional certification. When the order of conditional certification

521.26 and Competency Framework content area VII A (Establishing Healthy Practices) or B  
521.27 (Ensuring Safety).

521.28 (c) Substitutes and adult caregivers who provide care for 500 or fewer hours per year  
521.29 must complete a minimum of one hour of training each calendar year, and the training must  
521.30 include the requirements in subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, and 9.

522.1 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142C.06, is amended by adding a subdivision

522.2 to read:

522.3 Subd. 4. **Requirement to post conditional certification.** Upon receipt of any order of  
522.4 conditional certification issued by the commissioner under this section, and notwithstanding  
522.5 a pending request for reconsideration of the order of conditional certification by the  
522.6 certification holder, the certification holder shall post the order of conditional certification  
522.7 in a place that is conspicuous to the people receiving services and all visitors to the facility  
522.8 for the duration of the conditional certification. When the order of conditional certification



205.5 is accompanied by a maltreatment investigation memorandum prepared under chapter 260E,  
205.6 the investigation memoranda must be posted with the order of conditional certification.

205.7 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142C.11, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

205.8 Subd. 8. **Required policies.** A certified center must have written policies for health and  
205.9 safety items in subdivisions 1 to 6, 9, and 10.

205.10 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142C.12, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

205.11 Subdivision 1. **First aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation.** (a) Before having  
205.12 unsupervised direct contact with a child, but within 90 days after the first date of direct  
205.13 contact with a child, the director, all staff persons, substitutes, and unsupervised volunteers  
205.14 must successfully complete pediatric first aid and pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
205.15 (CPR) training, unless the training has been completed within the previous two calendar  
205.16 years. Staff must complete the pediatric first aid and pediatric CPR training at least every  
205.17 other calendar year and the center must document the training in the staff person's personnel  
205.18 record.

205.19 (b) Training completed under this subdivision may be used to meet the in-service training  
205.20 requirements under subdivision 6.

205.21 (c) Training must include CPR and techniques for providing immediate care to people  
205.22 experiencing life-threatening cardiac emergencies, choking, bleeding, fractures and sprains,  
205.23 head injuries, poisoning, and burns. Training developed by the American Heart Association,  
205.24 the American Red Cross, or another organization that uses nationally recognized,  
205.25 evidence-based guidelines meets these requirements.

205.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.

205.27 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142C.12, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

205.28 Subd. 6. **In-service training.** (a) The certified center must ensure that the director and  
205.29 all staff persons, including substitutes and unsupervised volunteers, are trained at least once  
205.30 each calendar year on health and safety requirements in this section and sections 142C.10,  
205.31 142C.11, and 142C.13.

206.1 (b) The director and each staff person, not including substitutes, must complete at least  
206.2 six hours of training each calendar year. Substitutes must complete at least two hours of  
206.3 training each calendar year. Training required under paragraph (a) may be used toward the  
206.4 hourly training requirements of this subdivision.

206.5 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245A.18, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

206.6 Subdivision 1. **Seat belt and child passenger restraint system use.** All license holders  
206.7 that transport children must comply with the requirements of section 142B.51, subdivision  
206.8 1, and license holders that transport a child or children under ~~eight~~ nine years of age must  
206.9 document training that fulfills the requirements in section 142B.51, subdivision 2.

522.9 is accompanied by a maltreatment investigation memorandum prepared under chapter 260E,  
522.10 the investigation memoranda must be posted with the order of conditional certification.

522.11 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142C.11, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

522.12 Subd. 8. **Required policies.** A certified center must have written policies for health and  
522.13 safety items in subdivisions 1 to 6, 9, and 10.

522.14 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142C.12, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

522.15 Subdivision 1. **First aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation.** (a) Before having  
522.16 unsupervised direct contact with a child, but within 90 days after the first date of direct  
522.17 contact with a child, the director, all staff persons, substitutes, and unsupervised volunteers  
522.18 must successfully complete pediatric first aid and pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
522.19 (CPR) training, unless the training has been completed within the previous two calendar  
522.20 years. Staff must complete the pediatric first aid and pediatric CPR training at least every  
522.21 other calendar year and the center must document the training in the staff person's personnel  
522.22 record.

522.23 (b) Training completed under this subdivision may be used to meet the in-service training  
522.24 requirements under subdivision 6.

522.25 (c) Training must include CPR and techniques for providing immediate care to people  
522.26 experiencing life-threatening cardiac emergencies, choking, bleeding, fractures and sprains,  
522.27 head injuries, poisoning, and burns. Training developed by the American Heart Association,  
522.28 the American Red Cross, or another organization that uses nationally recognized,  
522.29 evidence-based guidelines meets these requirements.

522.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.

523.1 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142C.12, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

523.2 Subd. 6. **In-service training.** (a) The certified center must ensure that the director and  
523.3 all staff persons, including substitutes and unsupervised volunteers, are trained at least once  
523.4 each calendar year on health and safety requirements in this section and sections 142C.10,  
523.5 142C.11, and 142C.13.

523.6 (b) The director and each staff person, not including substitutes, must complete at least  
523.7 six hours of training each calendar year. Substitutes must complete at least two hours of  
523.8 training each calendar year. Training required under paragraph (a) may be used toward the  
523.9 hourly training requirements of this subdivision.

523.10 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245A.18, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

523.11 Subdivision 1. **Seat belt and child passenger restraint system use.** All license holders  
523.12 that transport children must comply with the requirements of section 142B.51, subdivision  
523.13 1, and license holders that transport a child or children under ~~eight~~ nine years of age must  
523.14 document training that fulfills the requirements in section 142B.51, subdivision 2.

206.10 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026.

206.11 Sec. 23. DIRECTION TO COMMISSIONER OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND  
206.12 FAMILIES; STANDARDIZED LICENSING VISIT TIMELINE AND  
206.13 REQUIREMENTS.

206.14 (a) The commissioner of children, youth, and families must, in consultation with  
206.15 stakeholders, develop and implement a standardized timeline and standards for the conduct  
206.16 of licensors when conducting inspections of licensed child care centers. The timeline and  
206.17 standards developed by the commissioner must clearly identify:

206.18 (1) the steps of a licensing visit;

206.19 (2) the expectations for licensors and license holders before, during, and after the licensing  
206.20 visit;

206.21 (3) the standards of conduct that licensors must follow during a visit;

206.22 (4) the rights of license holders;

206.23 (5) when and how license holders can request technical assistance; and

206.24 (6) a process for license holders to request additional review of an issue related to the  
206.25 licensing visit from someone other than the assigned licensor.

206.26 (b) The timeline and standards must be implemented by January 1, 2026.

206.27 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026.

206.28 Sec. 24. DIRECTION TO COMMISSIONER OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND  
206.29 FAMILIES; STANDARDIZED COUNTY-DELEGATED LICENSING.

206.30 By January 1, 2026, the commissioner of children, youth, and families must:

207.1 (1) establish time frames for county licensors to respond to time-sensitive or urgent  
207.2 requests and implement a system to track response times to the requests; and

207.3 (2) require county licensors to use the electronic licensing inspection tool during an  
207.4 inspection of a family child care provider and to complete the inspection report on site with  
207.5 the license holder, including direct communication related to any correction orders issued.

207.6 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

207.7 Sec. 25. REPEALER.

207.8 Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0030, subpart 1, item B, is repealed.

207.9 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2025.

523.15 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026.