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CHILD CARE PROGRAMS

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256H.01 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** For the purposes of sections 256H.01 to 265H.19, the following terms have the meanings given.

Subd. 2. **Child care services.** "Child care services" means child care provided in family day care homes, group day care homes, nursery schools, day nurseries, child day care centers, play groups, head start, and parent cooperatives, or in the child's home.

Subd. 3. **Child.** "Child" means a person 12 years old or younger, or a person age 13 or 14 who is handicapped, as defined in section 120.03.

Subd. 4. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of human services.

Subd. 5. **Child care.** "Child care" means the care of a child by someone other than a parent or legal guardian in or outside the child's own home for gain or otherwise, on a regular basis, for any part of a 24-hour day.

Subd. 6. **County board.** "County board" means the board of county commissioners in each county.

Subd. 7. **Education program.** "Education program" means remedial or basic education or English as a second language instruction, high school education, a program leading to a general equivalency diploma, and post-secondary education excluding post-baccalaureate programs.

Subd. 8. **Employment program.** "Employment program" means employment of recipients financially eligible for the child care sliding fee program, vocational assessment, and job readiness and job search activities.

Subd. 9. **Family.** "Family" means parents, stepparents, guardians, or other caretaker relatives, and their blood related dependent children and adoptive siblings under the age of 18 years living in the same home including children temporarily absent from the household in settings such as schools, foster care, and residential treatment facilities. When a minor parent or parents and his, her, or their child or children are living with other relatives, and the minor parent or parents apply for a child care subsidy, "family" means only the minor parent or parents and the child or children. An adult may be considered a dependent member of the family unit if 50 percent of the adult's support is being provided by the parents, stepparents, guardians, or other caregiver relatives residing in the same household. An adult age 18 who is a full-time high school student and can reasonably be expected to graduate before age 19 may be considered a dependent member of the family unit.

Subd. 10. **Human services board.** "Human services board" means a board established under section 402.02, Laws 1974, chapter 293, or Laws 1976, chapter 340.

Subd. 11. **Income.** "Income" means earned or unearned income received by all family members 16 years or older, including public assistance benefits, unless specifically

excluded. The following are excluded from income: scholarships and grants that cover costs for tuition, fees, books, and educational supplies; student loans for tuition, fees, books, supplies, and living expenses; in-kind income such as food stamps, energy assistance, medical assistance, and housing subsidies; income from summer or part-time employment of 16-, 17-, and 18-year-old full-time secondary school students; grant awards under the family subsidy program; and nonrecurring lump sum income only to the extent that it is earmarked and used for the purpose for which it is paid.

Subd. 12. Provider. "Provider" means the child care license holder or the legal nonlicensed caregiver who operates a family day care home, a group family day care home, a day care center, a nursery school, or a day nursery, or who functions in the child's home.

Subd. 13. Post-secondary educational systems. "Post-secondary educational systems" means the University of Minnesota board of regents, the state university board, the state board for community colleges, and the state board of vocational technical education.

Subd. 14. AFDC priority groups. "AFDC priority groups" means the recipients defined in section 256.736, subdivision 2a.

Subd. 15. AFDC. "AFDC" means aid to families with dependent children.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72; 1987 c 403 art 3 s 59; 1988 c 689 art 2 s 223*

256H.02 DUTIES OF COMMISSIONER.

The commissioner shall develop standards for county and human services boards, and post-secondary educational systems, to provide child care services to enable eligible families to participate in employment, training, or education programs. The commissioner shall distribute money to counties to reduce the costs of child care for eligible families. The commissioner shall adopt rules to govern the program in accordance with this section. The rules must establish a sliding schedule of fees for parents receiving child care services. The commissioner shall maximize the use of federal money under the AFDC employment special needs program in section 256.736, subdivision 8, for recipients of aid to families with dependent children who are in education, training, job search, or other activities allowed under that program. Money appropriated under this section must be coordinated with the AFDC employment special needs program to accomplish this purpose. Federal reimbursement obtained must be allocated to the county that spent money for child care that is federally reimbursable under the AFDC employment special needs program. The counties shall use the federal money to expand services to AFDC recipients under this section.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72; 1987 c 403 art 2 s 146; 1987 c 403 art 3 s 60*

256H.03 ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.

Subdivision 1. Counties; notice of allocation; report. By June 1 of each odd-numbered year, the commissioner shall notify all county and human services boards and post-secondary educational systems of their allocation. If the appropriation is insufficient to meet the needs in all counties, the amount must be prorated among the counties. Each county that receives funds under this section must keep a written record and report to the commissioner the number of eligible families who have applied for a child care subsidy. Counties shall perform a cursory determination of eligibility when a family requests information about child care assistance. A family that appears to be eligible must be put on a waiting list if funds are not immediately available.

Subd. 2. Allocation; limitations. Except for set-aside money allocated under sections 256H.04, 256H.05, 256H.06, and 256H.07, the commissioner shall allocate money appropriated between the metropolitan area, comprising the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington, and the area outside the metropolitan area so that no more than 55 percent of the total appropriation goes to either area after excluding allocations for statewide administrative costs. The commissioner shall allocate 50 percent of the money among counties on the basis of the number

of families below the poverty level, as determined from the most recent special census, and 50 percent on the basis of caseloads of aid to families with dependent children for the preceding fiscal year, as determined by the commissioner of human services.

Subd. 3. Review of use of funds; reallocation. Once each quarter, the commissioner shall review the use of child care fund allocations by county. The commissioner may reallocate unexpended or unencumbered money among those counties who have expended their full portion. Any unexpended money from the first year of the biennium may be carried forward to the second year of the biennium.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72; 1987 c 403 art 3 s 61; 1988 c 689 art 2 s 224*

256H.04 SET-ASIDE MONEY.

Subdivision 1. Set-aside money for certain groups. State money must be set aside by the commissioner for child care services for:

- (1) AFDC priority groups;
- (2) recipients of AFDC attending post-secondary education programs, excluding post-baccalaureate programs; and
- (3) students attending post-secondary education programs, excluding post-baccalaureate programs, who meet sliding fee program eligibility standards.

Subd. 2. Use of set-aside money. The set-aside amount must be determined by the commissioner and must not exceed 52 percent of the total funds appropriated. Of the set-aside amount, 44 percent must be allocated for persons described in subdivision 1, clause (1); 40 percent must be allocated for persons described in subdivision 1, clause (2); and 16 percent must be allocated for persons described in subdivision 1, clause (3).

History: *1987 c 403 art 3 s 62*

256H.05 SET-ASIDE MONEY FOR AFDC PRIORITY GROUPS.

Subdivision 1. Allocations; use. Set-aside money for AFDC priority groups must be allocated among the counties based on the average monthly number of caretakers receiving AFDC under the age of 21 and the average monthly number of AFDC cases open 24 or more consecutive months. For each fiscal year the average monthly caseload shall be based on the 12-month period ending March 31 of the previous fiscal year. The commissioner may reallocate quarterly unexpended or unencumbered set-aside money to counties that expend their full allocation. The county shall use the set-aside money for AFDC priority groups and for former AFDC recipients who (1) have had their child care subsidized under the set-aside for AFDC priority groups; (2) continue to require a child care subsidy in order to remain employed; and (3) are on a waiting list for the basic sliding fee program.

Subd. 2. Cooperation with other programs. The county shall develop cooperative agreements with the employment and training service provider for coordination of child care funding with employment, training, and education programs for aid to families with dependent children priority groups. The cooperative agreement shall specify that individuals receiving employment, training, and education services under an employability plan from the employment and training service provider shall, as resources permit, be guaranteed set-aside money for child care assistance from the county of their residence.

Subd. 3. Contracts; other uses allowed. Counties may contract for administration of the program or may arrange for or contract for child care funds to be used by other appropriate programs, in accordance with this section and as permitted by federal law and regulations.

Subd. 4. Use of funds for other applicants. If the commissioner finds, on or after January 1 of a fiscal year, that set-aside money for AFDC priority groups is not being fully utilized, the commissioner may permit counties to use set-aside money for other eligible applicants, as long as priority for use of the money will continue to be given to the AFDC priority groups.

Subd. 5. **Federal reimbursement.** A county may claim federal reimbursement under the AFDC special needs program for money spent for persons listed in section 256H.04, subdivision 1, clause (1). The commissioner shall allocate any federal earnings to the county. The county shall use the money to expand child care sliding fee services under this subdivision.

History: 1987 c 403 art 3 s 63; 1988 c 689 art 2 s 225

256H.06 SET-ASIDE MONEY FOR AFDC POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS.

Subdivision 1. **Allocation; AFDC caseload.** For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1988, set-aside money for persons listed in section 256H.04, subdivision 1, clause (2), shall be allocated to the counties based on caseloads of aid to families with dependent children for the preceding fiscal year, as determined by the commissioner. For succeeding fiscal years, the commissioner shall, in cooperation with the director of the higher education coordinating board, develop a formula for allocation of the funds to counties based on the number of AFDC caretakers in each county who are enrolled at post-secondary institutions.

Subd. 2. **Post-secondary school recipients.** Money allocated in subdivision 1 must be used for child care expenses of AFDC recipients attending post-secondary educational programs, excluding post-baccalaureate programs, and making satisfactory progress towards completion of the program.

Subd. 3. **Review of use of funds.** Once each quarter the commissioner shall review the use of child care fund allocations under this section by county. The commissioner may reallocate unexpended or unencumbered money among those counties that have expended their full portion for the purposes of this subdivision.

Subd. 4. **Federal reimbursement.** A county may claim federal reimbursement under the AFDC special needs program for money spent for persons listed in section 256H.04, subdivision 1, clause (2). The commissioner shall allocate any federal earnings to the county. The county shall use the money to expand child care sliding fee services under this subdivision.

Subd. 5. **Funds for post-secondary school graduates.** Recipients of AFDC who have completed their post-secondary education and had received child care funds during that education shall be assured, to the extent of available allocations, of sliding fee money for employment programs after graduation if they meet sliding fee program eligibility standards.

History: 1987 c 403 art 3 s 64; 1988 c 689 art 2 s 226

256H.07 SET-ASIDE MONEY FOR POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS.

Subdivision 1. **Allocation; use.** Each post-secondary educational system shall be allocated a portion of the set-aside money for persons listed in section 256H.04, subdivision 1, clause (3), based on the number of students with dependent children enrolled in each system in the preceding fiscal year. The post-secondary educational systems shall allocate their money among institutions under their authority based on the number of students with dependent children enrolled in each institution in the last fiscal year. For the purposes of this subdivision, "students with dependent children" means the sum of all Minnesota residents enrolled in public post-secondary institutions who report dependents on their applications to the state scholarship and grant program. The commissioner shall transfer the allocation for each post-secondary institution to the county board of the county in which the institution is located, to be held in an account for students found eligible for child care sliding fee assistance and attending the institution.

Subd. 2. **Application for funds; procedure.** Post-secondary educational institutions shall take applications for the child care sliding fee program from students and determine eligibility based on this section and rules promulgated by the commissioner. If a person is eligible for the child care sliding fee program, the post-secondary institution shall notify the county. The county shall process the person's application

and make vendor payments to the person's child care provider from the institution's account. Set-aside money must be used to subsidize child care expenses for eligible students making satisfactory progress toward completion of a program. The post-secondary institution must provide the county with quarterly reports on students' progress. The post-secondary educational institution shall not approve applications for sliding fee assistance in excess of the set-aside money allocated to it under subdivision 1.

Subd. 3. Reallocation. The post-secondary educational systems may reallocate unexpended or unencumbered money among institutions under their authority. If by May 15 of any year set-aside money is unexpended or unencumbered, the commissioner may reallocate the money among post-secondary educational systems, or reallocate it to the counties. Any unexpended money from the first year of the biennium may be carried forward to the second year of the biennium.

Subd. 4. Allocation; nonprofit education program. Ten percent of the amount allocated for persons described in section 256H.04, subdivision 1, clause (3), shall be held by the commissioner for students attending a Minnesota nonprofit post-secondary education program. A nonprofit education program may take applications for the child care sliding fee program and determine eligibility based on this section and rules promulgated by the commissioner. If a person is eligible for the child care sliding fee program, the post-secondary institution shall notify the county in which the institution is located. The county shall process the person's application and, upon approval of the commissioner, make vendor payments to the person's child care provider. The commissioner shall reimburse counties out of the money held by the commissioner under this paragraph.

History: 1987 c 403 art 3 s 65

256H.08 USE OF MONEY.

Money for persons listed in section 256H.04, subdivision 1, clauses (2) and (3), shall be used to reduce the costs of child care for students, including the costs of child care for students while employed if enrolled in an eligible education program at the same time and making satisfactory progress towards completion of the program. The county may plan for and provide child care assistance to persons listed in section 256H.04, subdivision 1, clauses (2) and (3), from the regular sliding fee fund to supplement the set-aside funds. Financially eligible students who have received child care assistance for one academic year shall be provided child care assistance in the following academic year if funds allocated under section 256H.06 or 256H.07 are available.

History: 1987 c 403 art 3 s 66; 1988 c 689 art 2 s 227

256H.09 REPORTING AND PAYMENTS.

Subdivision 1. Quarterly reports. Counties and post-secondary educational systems shall submit on forms prescribed by the commissioner a quarterly financial and program activity report which is due 20 calendar days after the end of each quarter. The financial and program activity report must include:

- (1) a detailed accounting of the expenditures and revenues for the program during the preceding quarter by funding source and by eligibility group;
- (2) a description of activities and concomitant expenditures that are federally reimbursable under the AFDC employment special needs program;
- (3) a description of activities and concomitant expenditures of set-aside money;
- (4) information on money encumbered at the quarter's end but not yet reimbursable, for use in adjusting allocations as provided in section 256H.05, subdivision 4; 256H.06, subdivision 3; and 256H.07, subdivision 3; and
- (5) other data the commissioner considers necessary to account for the program or to evaluate its effectiveness in preventing and reducing participants' dependence on public assistance and in providing other benefits, including improvement in the care provided to children.

Subd. 2. Quarterly payments. The commissioner shall make payments to each county in quarterly installments. The commissioner may certify an advance for the first quarter of the fiscal year. Later payments must be based on actual expenditures as reported in the quarterly financial and program activity report.

Subd. 3. Termination of allocation. The commissioner may withhold, reduce, or terminate the allocation of any county or post-secondary educational system that does not meet the reporting or other requirements of this program. The commissioner shall reallocate to other counties or post-secondary educational systems money so reduced or terminated.

History: 1987 c 403 art 3 s 67

256H.10 FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY.

Subdivision 1. Eligibility factors. Child care services must be available to families who need child care to find or keep employment or to obtain the training or education necessary to find employment and who:

- (a) receive aid to families with dependent children;
- (b) have household income below the eligibility levels for aid to families with dependent children; or
- (c) have household income within a range established by the commissioner.
- (d) Child care services for the families receiving aid to families with dependent children must be made available as in-kind services, to cover any difference between the actual cost and the amount disregarded under the aid to families with dependent children program. Child care services to families whose incomes are below the threshold of eligibility for aid to families with dependent children, but that are not receiving aid to families with dependent children, must be made available without cost to the families.

Subd. 2. Sliding fee. Child care services to families with incomes in the commissioner's established range must be made available on a sliding fee basis. The lower limit of the sliding fee range must be the eligibility limit for aid to families with dependent children. The upper limit of the range must be neither less than 70 percent nor more than 90 percent of the state median income for a family of four, adjusted for family size.

Subd. 3. Priorities; allocations. If a disproportionate amount of the available money is provided to any one of the groups described in subdivision 1, the county board shall document to the commissioner the reason the group received a disproportionate share. If a county projects that its child care allocation is insufficient to meet the needs of all eligible groups, it may prioritize among the groups to be served. Counties shall assure that a person receiving child care assistance from the sliding fee program prior to July 1, 1987, continues to receive assistance, providing the person meets all other eligibility criteria. Set-aside money must be prioritized by the state, and counties do not have discretion over the use of this money.

Subd. 4. Eligibility; annual income; calculation. Annual income of the applicant family is the current monthly income of the family multiplied by 12 or the income for the 12-month period immediately preceding the date of application, whichever provides the most accurate assessment of income available to the family. Self-employment income must be calculated based on gross receipts less operating expenses. Income must be redetermined when the family's income changes, but no less often than every six months. Income must be verified with documentary evidence. If the applicant does not have sufficient evidence of income, verification must be obtained from the source of the income.

History: 1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72; 1987 c 403 art 3 s 68; 1989 c 689 art 2 s 228

256H.11 EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING ELIGIBILITY.

Subdivision 1. Assistance for persons seeking employment. Persons who are seeking employment and who are eligible for assistance under this section are eligible

to receive the equivalent of one month of child care. Employed persons who work at least ten hours a week and receive at least a minimum wage for all hours worked are eligible for child care assistance.

Subd. 2. Financial eligibility required. Persons participating in employment programs, training programs, or education programs are eligible for assistance from the child care sliding fee program, if they are financially eligible under the sliding fee scale set by the commissioner in section 256H.14. Counties shall assure that a person receiving child care assistance from the sliding fee program while attending a post-secondary institution prior to July 1, 1987, continues to receive assistance from the regular sliding fee program, or the set-asides in section 256H.06 or 256H.07, providing the person meets all other eligibility criteria.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72; 1987 c 403 art 3 s 69*

256H.12 COUNTY CONTRIBUTION.

Subdivision 1. County contributions required. In addition to payments from parents, the program must be funded by county contributions. Except for set-aside money, counties shall contribute from county tax sources a minimum of 15 percent of the cost of the program. The commissioner shall recover from the county as necessary to bring county expenditures into compliance with this subdivision.

Subd. 2. Federal money; state recovery. The commissioner shall recover from counties any state or federal money found to be ineligible. If a federal audit exception is taken based on a percentage of federal earnings, all counties shall pay a share proportional to their respective federal earnings during the period in question.

Subd. 3. Other sources must be maintained. To receive money through this program, each county shall certify to the commissioner that the county has not reduced allocations from other federal, state, and county sources, which, in the absence of child care sliding fee or wage subsidy money, would have been available for child care services.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72; 1987 c 403 art 3 s 70*

256H.13 POST-SECONDARY RESPONSIBILITY.

To receive money through this program, each post-secondary educational system shall certify to the commissioner that the system has not reduced allocations from other federal and state sources, which, in the absence of child care sliding fee money, would have been available for child care services.

History: *1987 c 403 art 3 s 71*

256H.14 SLIDING FEE SCALE.

In setting the sliding fee schedule, the commissioner shall exclude from the amount of income used to determine eligibility an amount for federal and state income and social security taxes attributable to that income level according to federal and state standardized tax tables. The commissioner shall base the parent fee on the ability of the family to pay for child care. The fee schedule must be designed to use any available tax credits.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72; 1988 c 689 art 2 s 229*

256H.15 CHILD CARE RATES.

The county board may limit the subsidy allowed by setting a maximum on the provider child care rate that the county shall subsidize. The rate set by any county shall not be lower than 110 percent or higher than 125 percent of the median rate for like care arrangements in that county. In order to be reimbursed for more than 110 percent of the median rate, a provider with employees must pay wages for teachers, assistants, and aides that are more than 110 percent of the county average rate for child care workers.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72; 1987 c 290 s 1*

256H.16 LIMITS ON USE OF STATE FUNDS.

The state's payment is limited to the difference between the fee set by the commissioner and the provider's charge for care. When the provider of child care services charges more than 125 percent of the median charge for similar care arrangements in the geographic area defined by the commissioner of human services for the purpose of ascertaining the median charge, the state's payment is limited to the difference between 125 percent of the median charge for similar care arrangements in the geographic area and the parents' fee.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72*

256H.17 EXTENSION OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES.

The county board shall insure that child care services available to county residents are well advertised and that everyone who receives or applies for aid to families with dependent children is informed of training and employment opportunities and programs, including child care services.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72*

256H.18 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.

A county must not use more than seven percent of its allocation for its administrative expenses under this section, except a county may not use any of its allocation of the set-aside funds under subdivisions 3b and 3c for administrative expenses. A county may use up to four percent of the funds transferred to it under subdivision 3d for administrative expenses.

History: *1Sp1985 c 14 art 9 s 72; 1987 c 403 art 3 s 72*

256H.19 FAIR HEARING PROCESS.

Subdivision 1. Fair hearing allowed. An applicant or recipient adversely affected by a county agency action may request a fair hearing in accordance with section 256.045, subdivision 3.

Subd. 2. Informal conference. The county agency shall offer an informal conference to applicants and recipients adversely affected by an agency action to attempt to resolve the dispute. The county agency shall advise adversely affected applicants and recipients that a request for a conference with the agency is optional and does not delay or replace the right to a fair hearing.

History: *1987 c 403 art 3 s 73; 1988 c 682 art 2 s 230*

256H.20 GRANTS FOR SCHOOL AGE CHILD CARE PROGRAMS AND CHILD CARE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL PROGRAMS.

Subdivision 1. Authority. The commissioner of human services may make grants to public or private nonprofit agencies for the planning, establishment, expansion, improvement, or operation of child care resource and referral programs and child care services according to the provisions of this section and may make grants to county boards to carry out the purposes of section 245.84.

Subd. 2. Federal dependent care grants program. The commissioner shall submit an application annually to the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services for the purpose of obtaining the state's allotment of funds authorized under chapter 8 of Title VI of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act, United States Code, title 42, sections 9871 to 9877. Federal funds received under this allotment for the planning, development, establishment, expansion, or improvement of local resource and referral systems and school age child care services which are awarded as grants under subdivision 1 must be used in conformance with the federal requirements.

Subd. 3. Program services. The commissioner may make grants to public or private nonprofit entities to fund child care resource and referral programs. Child care resource and referral programs must serve a defined geographic area.

(a) Each program shall identify all existing child care services through information provided by all relevant public and private agencies in the areas of service, and shall develop a resource file of the services which shall be maintained and updated at least quarterly. These services must include family day care homes; public and private day care programs; full-time and part-time programs; infant, preschool, and extended care programs; and programs for school age children.

The resource file must include: the type of program, hours of program service, ages of children served, fees, location of the program, eligibility requirements for enrollment, and transportation available to the program. The file may also include program information and special needs services.

(b) Each program shall establish a referral process which responds to parental need for information and which fully recognizes confidentiality rights of parents. The referral process must afford parents maximum access to all referral information. This access must include telephone referral available for no less than 20 hours per week.

Each child care resource and referral agency shall publicize its services through popular media sources, agencies, employers, and other appropriate methods.

(c) Each program shall maintain ongoing documentation of requests for service. All child care resource and referral agencies must maintain documentation of the number of calls and contacts to the child care information and referral agency or component. A program may collect and maintain the following information:

- (1) ages of children served;
- (2) time category of child care request for each child;
- (3) special time category, such as nights, weekends, and swing shift; and
- (4) reason that the child care is needed.

(d) Each program shall have available the following information as an educational aid to parents:

- (1) information on aspects of evaluating the quality and suitability of child care services, including licensing regulation, financial assistance available, child abuse reporting procedures, appropriate child development information;

- (2) information on available parent, early childhood, and family education programs in the community.

(e) A program may provide technical assistance to existing and potential providers of all types of child care services and employers. This assistance shall include:

- (1) information on all aspects of initiating new child care services including licensing, zoning, program and budget development, and assistance in finding information from other sources;

- (2) information and resources which help existing child care providers to maximize their ability to serve the children and parents of their community;

- (3) dissemination of information on current public issues affecting the local and state delivery of child care services;

- (4) facilitation of communication between existing child care providers and child-related services in the community served;

- (5) recruitment of licensed providers; and

- (6) options, and the benefits available to employers utilizing the various options, to expand child care services to employees.

Services prescribed by this section must be designed to maximize parental choice in the selection of child care and to facilitate the maintenance and development of child care services and resources.

(f) Child care resource and referral information must be provided to all persons requesting services and to all types of child care providers and employers.

(g) Public or private entities may apply to the commissioner for funding. The maximum amount of money which may be awarded to any entity for the provision of service under this subdivision is \$60,000 per year. A local match of up to 25 percent is required.

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Subd. 4. Application; rules. Applicants for grants under subdivision 1 shall apply on a form provided by the commissioner. Applications for grants using funds received by the state pursuant to subdivision 2 shall include assurances that federal requirements have been met. The commissioner may adopt emergency rules and shall adopt permanent rules to implement this section.

History: 1986 c 404 s 3; 1987 c 403 art 3 s 74; 1988 c 689 art 2 s 231