

COVID-19 Policy-1220 Implementation of Childcare Services	RE: State policy – WD Letter 12-20
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COVID-19 WORKFORCE POLICY

COVID-19 and Child Care Income Calculations

Background: On March 27, 2020, the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) was enacted. The CARES Act includes economic impact payments and increased unemployment compensation to qualifying individuals. Economic Impact Payments The CARES Act authorizes the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to issue economic impact payments of up to \$1,200 for individuals with an adjusted gross income (AGI) of up to \$75,000 and \$2,400 for couples filing jointly with an AGI of up to \$150,000, with an additional \$500 for each child under the age of 17. These payments for US taxpayers serve as an advance on a refundable tax credit against 2020 income taxes and are based on the AGI reported on tax returns filed for 2018 or 2019. Unemployment Compensation Benefits. The CARES Acts authorizes federal funding for unemployment benefits for workers affected by COVID-19. Employees who are not eligible for or who have exhausted regular state unemployment benefits may qualify for similar compensation. Additionally, eligible workers will receive an additional \$600 per week for up to four months. Workers who remain unemployed after their state unemployment benefits are exhausted could qualify for an additional 13 weeks of federally funded unemployment compensation.

Policy: WFSDallas will follow the Texas Workforce Commission Guidance #12-20, as amended, and as it applies to the Child Care System serving Dallas County.

Action: During COVID-19, WFSDallas will implement the WD Letter #12-20 and as amended. Please see https://www.twc.texas.gov/files/policy-letters/12-20-twc.pdf

Questions: For any questions, related to this policy, please contact Demetria Robinson, Vice President at 214-290-1013.

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