

Statement of Deficiencies

1811.A.&B.: Requests for CCCBC-Based Determinations of Eligibility

Not Met

1811.A.&B.: A. An early learning center or an entity identified in §1809 shall request and obtain from the department a new CCCBC-based determination of eligibility for child care purposes for each required person:

1. prior to the person being present or performing services at the center when children are present; and
2. not less than once during a five-year period.

B. An early learning center or an entity identified in §1809 shall not be required to request and obtain from the department a new CCCBC-based determination of eligibility for child care purposes for a required person, and instead shall be able to request and obtain from the department the person's CCCBC-based determination of eligibility provided to another in-state child care provider or entity identified in §1809, if:

1. a child care provider within the state or an entity requested and obtained a CCCBC-based determination of eligibility for child care purposes from the department for the person within the past five years, while the person was seeking employment or employed by a in-state child care provider or seeking to provide or providing services at an early learning center in Louisiana for an entity;
2. the department provided to the initial requesting child care provider or entity a CCCBC-based determination indicating the person was eligible for child care purposes; and
3. the person is still employed by a child care provider within the state, or is still providing services in an early learning center within the state for an entity, or has been separated from a child care provider within the state or an entity for less than 180 consecutive days.

Finding:

1811.A.: Based on Specialist's review of records on 11/4/2020, at 10:30am, documentation of a CCCBC-based determination of eligibility (CCCBC) was not available for 1 of 13 staff, prior to the individual being present in the childcare facility. S3's date of hire is 9/30/2020, and CCCBC-based determination of eligibility clearance date is 10/15/2020. S3 was working with children without clearance to do so from 10/1/2020, until 10/14/2020.

Corrective Action Plan: S4 stated that she thought the CCCBC extension waiver (due to COVID-19) was in place until 10/30/2020. Going forward, newly hired staff will not be able to begin working with children until they have a CCBC-based eligibility clearance to do so.
