## OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS (UPDATE)

The Division of Early Learning in the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) will hold four public hearings on (1) the draft Child Care and Development Fund Block Grant Plan (CCDF Plan) and (2) Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPR) - Child Development Facilities Licensing. The purpose of the four public hearings is to solicit verbal or written comments from the public on the District's draft CCDF plan or the ANPR.

The CCDF Block Grant is a major source of funding to help parents pay for child care. It is the primary source of funding for quality initiatives in early care and education. The proposed CCDF Plan will be available on December 24, 2015 at 810 First Street, NE and on the OSSE website at: <u>www.osse.dc.gov</u>.

The ANPR will address revisions to the regulatory framework for licensing of child development facilities and is being published to provide stakeholders an opportunity to send comments to OSSE prior to formal publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. The ANPR will be available on December 24, 2015 at 810 First Street, NE and on the OSSE website at: www.osse.dc.gov.

### Public Hearings: CCDF Plan and ANPR - Child Development Facilities Licensing

#### Monday, January 11, 2016

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. National Children's Center 3400 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE <u>Register for this hearing</u>

#### Tuesday, January 12, 2016

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Petworth Neighborhood Library 4200 Kansas Ave. NW <u>Register for this hearing</u>

#### Thursday, January 14, 2016

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Southwest Library 900 Wesley Place SW Register for this hearing

#### Tuesday, January 19, 2016

4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Educare DC 640 Anacostia Ave. NE <u>Register for this hearing</u> Family members, service providers, advocates, program administrators, government workers, community groups, residents and other interested parties are encouraged to attend and give testimony at the public hearings. *If you would like to attend, please use the registration links under each public hearing date to register. If you would like to testify, please indicate during registration that you would like to testify during the hearing you plan to attend.* Registered persons will be scheduled for a 3-minute period to testify first. Persons not registered to testify will be allowed to testify as time permits. Persons who testify are encouraged to bring a copy of the written testimony for the record. Amharic, Chinese, French, Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean and Sign Language interpreters will be available if the services are requested by **December 18, 2015**, to ensure availability. Requests for interpretation can be made using the registration links above.

# How to Submit Written Testimony for the draft CCDF Plan

Written comments on the draft CCDF Plan may be submitted at the hearing or throughout the comment period. All written comments must be received by **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 20, 2016.** To submit a written comment outside of the public hearing, please visit <u>www.osse.dc.gov</u> click on the "Programs" tab, then click on "Early Learning" to find the Child Development Fund Plan starting December 11, 2015 or email Carolyn J. Terry-Taylor, Policy and Program Officer at <u>carolynj.taylor@dc.gov</u>.

## <u>How to Submit Written Testimony for the</u> <u>ANPR - Child Development Facilities Licensing</u>

Written comments on the ANPR - Child Development Facilities Licensing may be submitted at the hearing or throughout the comment period. All written comments must be received by **4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2016.** Persons desiring to comment on this advance notice should file comments in writing by mail or hand delivery to the Office of the State Superintendent of Education, Attn: Jamai Deuberry re: "ANPR - Child Development Facilities Licensing," 810 First Street, NE 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20002 or via email addressed to: <u>ossecomments.proposedregulations@dc.gov</u> with subject ""ANPR - Child Development Facilities Licensing."