



TANF 1101-1 Child Care Assistance

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Reference: 45 CFR Part 98; P. L. 104-193

Overview: TANF cash assistance clients who are engaged in approved Employability/Service Plan (E/SP) activities may receive TANF child care, if there is a demonstrated need for such care. Each family receiving TANF child care assistance is required to pay a \$10 per month co-payment directly to their child care provider(s). Failure to pay the \$10 per month co-payment will result in loss of child care assistance.

CHILD CARE FOR NEGOTIATED ACTIVITIES:

When child care is needed for a caretaker relative to comply with negotiated activities, the cost of child care for all children included in the TANF cash assistance filing unit will be paid by the state, with the exception of the co-payment and any charges greater than state rate.

Child care referrals are sent to the Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) agency:

1. at initial referral;
2. when a new eligible child is added to the referral;
3. when a child is removed from the referral;
4. anytime a change in child care hours is necessary; and
5. at least every 12 months.

CHILD CARE PRIOR TO TANF APPROVAL:

After the E/SP has been negotiated, child care assistance can be approved for up to 30 days.

OVERAGES:

Overpayments are not established for child care provided to a TANF applicant whose application is subsequently denied.

TANF clients are responsible to pay the overage charges to their child care provider when the client:

1. Uses more child care than authorized;
2. Uses child care during a period of ineligibility; or

3. Loses child care for failure to timely report changes to their CCR&R agency.

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