



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

To: Interested Parties

From: DHS Office of Policy Development

Date: July 20, 2026

Subject: Proposed Adoption of the Regulations for the Licensing of
Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP)-Reimbursable
Youth Camps

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, the Department of Human Services is advertising the following proposed adopted DHS rule. This rule is being adopted in compliance with state and federal law and good practice.

RICR Title 218 – Rhode Island Department of Human Services
Chapter 70 – Office of Child Care Licensing
Part 14 – Regulations for the Licensing of Child Care
Assistance Program (CCAP)-Reimbursable Youth Camps

Regulations for Youth Summer Camp Programming were developed in accordance with Rhode Island General Law, which was passed for the FY25 budget year. This regulation allows youth camp programs to apply to be licensed summer camps in order to enroll children who are part of the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP). The regulations that were created are all federally required in order to use CCDF funding.

These proposed rules are accessible on the DHS website (<https://dhs.ri.gov/regulations/proposed-rules-regulations-hearings>), the RI Secretary of State website (<https://rules.sos.ri.gov/Promulgations/part/218-70-00-14>) and available in hard copy upon request (401-462-3015 or RI Relay, dial 711). **A public hearing will be held to consider the proposed adoption on Tuesday August 4, 2026 at 5:00pm at the Louis Pasteur Building, 25 Howard Avenue, Bldg. 57, Cranston, RI 02920, in the West Wing Conference Room.** Persons wishing to testify may do so by signing up at the hearing or by submitting written testimony no later than 11:59pm on August 19, 2026 to Tara Borges, Office of Policy Development, Department of Human Services, Hazard Building, 41 West Road, Bldg. 74, Cranston, RI 02920 or DHS.PolicyFeedBack@dhs.ri.gov.

The seating capacity of the West Wing Conference Room will be enforced and therefore the number of persons participating in the hearing may be limited at any given time by the hearing officer, in order to comply with safety and fire codes.

The Louis Pasteur Building is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals with hearing impairments may request an interpreter's presence by calling 711 or Relay RI 1-800-745-6575 (Voice) and 1-800-745-5555 (TDD). Requests for this service must be made at least 72 hours in advance of the Hearing date. The Department of Human Services does not discriminate against individuals based

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