



This document summarizes the addendum changes to the Invest in NY Child Care Emergency Request for Applications (RFA) for New Programs that were published on March 24, 2022.

**In the 1.7 RFA Definitions Section, the following note was added to define new programs:**

*Please note: Programs that are changing their modality to add to their capacity for example, a Family Day Care (FDC) that is going to become a Group Family Daycare (GFDC) is considered a “new program.” An existing licensed provider who is opening a separate location would be considered opening a “new program” if that new location did not have a license previously. Programs or providers that held a license within the year preceding the issue date of this RFA or are current license holders and are changing locations or their legal entities but not, in fact, expanding their licensed capacity are not eligible to apply.*

**In the Section 1.7 RFA Definitions Section, Section 2.3 Purpose and Funding Availability, and Section 4.0 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS, the definition for Non-Traditional Hours was updated as follows:**

*For NYC Article 47 Day Care Centers, non-traditional hours are defined consistent with the RFA definition and threshold. Please note: Programs wishing to offer overnight care need to comply with NYC are considered a Night Child Care permit program requirements, defined as “a child care program that accepts children for care starting at 5 P.M., provides child care services between 5 P.M. and 8 A.M., and operates more than one night per week, for more than 30 days in a 12-month period.*

*Non-Traditional hours of care as defined in the RFA must be available a minimum of 15 hours per week for all modalities of care except for SACC. SACC programs must have care available during 75% of all school breaks and holiday breaks in accordance with their local school calendar. Summer hours are not included in this percentage for SACC to be eligible for non-traditional hours.*

**In Section 2.3 Purpose and Funding Availability the following information was added in regards to the Infant and Toddler Bonus:**

*Family Day Care programs applying for this bonus, will be eligible for funding for up to two slots. Group Family Day Care programs applying for the bonus, will be eligible for up to four slots. Please note: this does not impact how many children providers are allowed to care for by their license and applicable regulations.*

**In Section 2.4 Term of Award & Payment Information the following information was added in regards to SFS ID:**

*Invest in NY Child Care awards are for up to two years. Applicants will apply starting no earlier than 4/1/22 and ending no later than 5/19/22. Once award decisions are made, grant awardees will be sent a pre-approval letter. Upon license approval, verification of SFS ID as provided or created through the application, and after applicants are determined to be responsible by OCFS after submitting their Vendor Responsibility information, a formal award letter will be issued. Final award amounts and ongoing payments will not exceed the lower of the number of slots proposed as of the application submission date or the capacity approved for the license, and may be adjusted based on quarterly inspections per Section 4.1, Desired Outcomes and Program Requirements. Upon licensure and award, grant payments can be applied to eligible project expenses that applicants paid beginning on the grant application submission date. Final grant payments will not be made after June 30, 2024.*

**In Section 3.1 Minimum Qualifications to Apply the following information was added in regards to location changes:**

*All applicants must communicate the proposed location of the child care program to their licensor/regulator prior to submission of the grant application, except NYC Article 47 day care centers, which must submit their application for a permit prior to submitting the grant application.*

**In Section 3.1 Minimum Qualifications to Apply the following information was added in regards to application submission:**

*NYC DOHMH permitted Article 47 day care centers must have applied to become a new licensed day care program but not yet received a license before the Application Submission Date (Amended 3/1/22).*

*NYC programs must have submitted their application for a permit before beginning an application for this grant opportunity.*

**In Section 4.0 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS the following attestations have been added:**

- *I certify that grant funds will be used in accordance with Federal guidelines with eligible expenses incurred since the date of grant application submission.*
- *I certify that I understand the grant funds cannot be used for major renovations or capital expenses, per Federal CCDF guidelines. Support for renovations and contraction activities may be available through my Regional Economic Development Council and other sources.*

*To review all changes to the Invest in NY Child Care Emergency Request for Application (RFA) for New Programs added in Addendum 2 go to: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/contracts/funding/RFA1/RFA1-Childcare-Deserts.pdf>*