





Applications are acted upon promptly. A decision on eligibility or ineligibility for the Child Care Provider Rite Care Program must be made within thirty (30) days of the application filing date. This standard is not used as a waiting period before granting assistance nor as a basis for denial of an application.

The applicant must be informed of the reason for any delay in a decision and his/her right to a hearing, if the delay is beyond thirty (30) days.

When the applicant is found to be ineligible or the applicant makes the decision after signing the application that he/she does not want assistance, the agency representative notifies the applicant of the rejection through an InRhodes generated notice. Additionally, anyone with income in excess of one hundred eighty-five percent (185%) of the federal poverty level will also receive an InRhodes generated notice stating that they are ineligible for Title XIX Medical Assistance Programs. This notice informs the applicant at the same time of his/her right to appeal the decision, and the method by which the applicant can request a hearing.

When the applicant is found to be eligible, the acceptance date for health care coverage will begin on the date that an applicant is enrolled in a health care plan. Eligible applicants will receive benefits identical to those received by Rite Care eligible recipients. However, they will not receive out-of-plan benefits. Dental benefits for those child care providers who are enrolled into a health plan prior to October 1, 2005 will receive dental benefits through the Blue Cross dental coverage plan until December 31, 2005.

As of January 1, 2006, dental benefits for these individuals will be provided through Medicaid on a fee-for-service basis.

Dental benefits for child care providers who are enrolled in a health plan as of October 1, 2005 or later, will receive dental benefits through Medicaid on a fee-for-service basis.

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**Recertification of Eligibility**

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At the end of the original six (6) month certification period, child care providers may continue to have their eligibility

reviewed for successive six (6) month time periods so long as they continue to meet the requirements listed in DHS Policy Section 0347.05.

Recertification periods will be as listed below:

- O Six (6) month recertification periods when:
  - A. All household members are over 250% of the federal poverty level, or
  - B. The household consists of a combination of members who are eligible under the Child Care Provider Rite Care Program as described in DHS Policy Section 0347 while others are eligible under the Rite Care Program as described in DHS Policy Section 0348.
- O Twelve (12) month recertification periods when:
  - A. All household members are eligible under the Rite Care Program provisions as described in DHS Policy Section 0348.

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**CCPRC Program Coverage Groups**

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Individuals/groups required to pay a monthly premium are the same as listed in Section 0348.40.05 with the addition of:

- O Child care providers without dependent children, and
- O Families with income in excess of two hundred fifty percent (250%) of the Federal Poverty Level and less than three hundred fifty Percent (350%) of the Federal Poverty Level.

The premium amount is determined as follows:

- O The amount of the premium is determined by countable family income as follows if:

Family Income	Monthly Family Premium
over 150% - 185% FPL	\$ 61.00

over 185% - 200% FPL	\$ 77.00
over 200% - 250% FPL	\$ 92.00
over 250% - 350% FPL	\$130.00

- o Monthly premiums are not prorated. That is, a full monthly premium is due if the family receives medical assistance coverage for any portion of a coverage month.
  
- O Families subject to cost sharing requirements must cooperate in making required premium payments in order to remain eligible for the Child Care Provider Rite Care Program. Failure to make required premium payments will result in sanctions as described in DHS Policy Sections 0348.40, 0348.40.05, and 0348.40.05.05.