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DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

Notice of Intent to Amend Regulations and Notice of Public Hearing

The Commissioner of the Department of Developmental Services, pursuant to Section 4-168 of the Connecticut General Statutes, hereby gives notice of his intent to amend Sections 17a-248-1 to 17a-248-14, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Statement of Purpose: These Early Intervention Services for Infants and Toddlers and their Families regulations concerning the Department of Developmental Services' Birth to Three System are being amended to: (1) include new language that states no right of recovery shall be sought from a parent with a health insurance plan required to comply with Connecticut's insurance mandate (Section 38a-490a C.G.S.); (2) allow a parent to sign a right of recovery when their insurance does not comply with Connecticut insurance mandates; (3) add a schedule of monthly insurance co-payments for a parent who has insurance and does not assign to the Birth to Three System the right of insurance recovery required in addition to any fees that apply to all parents; and (4) remove the schedule of contributions under 17a-248-13(b) charged to parents who have insurance and do not assign to the lead agency the right of insurance recovery.

Copies of the proposed, amended regulations are available on the Birth to Three website www.birth23.org under "What's New" and on the DDS website www.ct.gov/dds. Also, they may be obtained from the Department of Developmental Services (DDS), 460 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106 ATTN: Rod O'Connor; by calling Rod O'Connor at (860) 418-6130; or by e-mailing rod.oconnor@ct.gov.

Public hearings concerning the proposed, amended regulations will be held on Monday, March 10, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room A, 460 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Persons wishing to sign-up for the 9:00 a.m. public hearing may do so beginning at 8:30 a.m. in Conference Room A, 460 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT. Persons wishing to sign-up for the 5:00 p.m. public hearing may do so beginning at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room A. Persons testifying at the public hearings will be called in order of sign-up and will have three minutes in which to testify.

Persons wishing to present their views and comments regarding the proposed, amended regulations are invited to do so in writing by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Written comments regarding the proposed, amended regulations may be sent to the Department of Developmental Services, 460 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106 ATTN: Rod O'Connor, Legislative and Regulations Analyst; may be e-mailed to rod.oconnor@ct.gov or may be submitted at either of the public hearings. Written, oral, or e-mailed comments received by the April 8, 2014 deadline will be considered by DDS and may result in modifications to the proposed, amended Birth to Three regulations.

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This notice must be posted to the regulations webpage of the Secretary of the State at least twenty (20) days before the proposed regulation is submitted to the LRRC and before the final wording of the proposed regulation is submitted to the Attorney General for review

Notice of Decision to Take Action on Proposed Regulations

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4-168(d) of the *General Statutes of the State of Connecticut (CGS)*, as amended, the **Department of Developmental Services** hereby gives notice that it has decided to proceed with proposed regulations concerning **Early Intervention Services for Infants and Toddlers and Their Families**. Notice of intent to adopt, amend, or repeal these regulations was posted to the regulations webpage of the Secretary of the State on **February 7, 2014**.

As required by the Freedom of Information Act and CGS Section 4-168(d), the following items are available for copying at the address specified below, and, if applicable, by the alternate methods detailed:

- (A) The final wording of the proposed regulation;
- (B) A statement of the principal reasons in support of this intended action;
- (C) A statement of the principal considerations in opposition to this intended action;
- (D) A statement of the agency's reasons for accepting or rejecting such considerations.

Address where copies of items (A) through (D) above can be made or obtained:

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(If applicable) In addition, these items are available for viewing and printing on the following website:

<http://www.ct.gov/dds/cwp/view.asp?a=2039&Q=538752>

(If applicable) In addition, these items can be obtained by contacting the following staff member:

Rod O'Connor, DDS Legislative and Regulations Analyst, at Rod.OConnor@ct.gov