**WAC 110-15-0200** Daily child care rates—Licensed or certified child care centers and DCYF contracted seasonal day camps.  

1. **Base rate.** Effective July 1, 2022, the child care subsidy rates paid to licensed or certified child care centers or DCYF contracted seasonal day camps are:

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<th>Region</th>
<th>Full-Day</th>
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<th>Infants</th>
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<td>(Birth -11 mos.)</td>
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(a) Centers in Clark County are paid Region 3 rates.  
(b) Centers in Benton, Walla Walla, and Whitman counties are paid Region 6 rates.

2. **WAC 110-300-0005 and 110-300-0356** allow providers to care for children from birth up to and including the end of their eligibility period after their 13th birthday.

3. Providers must obtain child-specific and time-limited exceptions from DCYF to provide care for children outside the age listed on the center's license.

4. If providers are granted an exception to care for a child who is 13 years old or older at application or reapplication:
   (a) The payment rate is the same as subsection (1) of this section, and the five through 12 year age range column is used for comparison; and
   (b) The children must meet the special needs requirement described in WAC 110-15-0220.
Agency: Department of Children, Youth, and Families

Title of rule and other identifying information: (describe subject) For the Working Connections and Seasonal Child Care Programs, WAC 110-15-0200 Daily child care rates—Licensed or certified child care centers and DCYF contracted seasonal day camps.

Hearing location(s):
Date: July 5, 2022
Location: telephonic
Comment: Make oral comments by calling (360) 522-2826 and leaving a voicemail that includes the comment and an email or physical mailing address where DCYF will send its response. Comments received through and including July 5, 2022 will be considered.

Date of intended adoption: July 6, 2022 (Note: This is NOT the effective date)

Submit written comments to:
Name: DCYF Rules Coordinator
Address:
Email: dcyf.rulescoordinator@dcyf.wa.gov
Fax:
Other: https://dcyf.wa.gov/practice/policy-laws-rules/rule-making/participate/online
By (date) July 5, 2022

Assistance for persons with disabilities:
Contact DCYF Rules Coordinator
Phone:
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Other:
By (date) July 1, 2022

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules: The proposed rule increases the Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) program rates paid to child care centers for enrolled WCCC-eligible children beginning July 1, 2022. The proposal also makes a technical correction to the designated age range for infants.
**Reasons supporting proposal:** Chapter 297, Laws of 2022 §229(5)(d) authorized a 16% subsidy base rate enhancement for child care centers for fiscal year 2023. The proposed rule fully implements the authorized enhancement.

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 43.216.055 and 43.216.065

**Statute being implemented:** Chapter 297, Laws of 2022 §229(5)(d)

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If yes, CITATION:

**Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters:**

**Name of proponent:** (person or organization) Department of Children, Youth, and Families  ☐ Private  ☒ Public  ☒ Governmental

**Name of agency personnel responsible for:**

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**Is a school district fiscal impact statement required under RCW 28A.305.135?**  ☐ Yes  ☒ No

If yes, insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the school district fiscal impact statement by contacting:

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**Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?**

☐ Yes: A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

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☒ No: Please explain: DCYF is not among the agencies listed as required to comply with RCW 34.05.328(5)(i). Further, DCYF does not voluntarily make that section applicable to the adoption of these rules.
Regulatory Fairness Act Cost Considerations for a Small Business Economic Impact Statement:

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, may be exempt from requirements of the Regulatory Fairness Act (see chapter 19.85 RCW). Please check the box for any applicable exemption(s):

☐ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.061 because this rule making is being adopted solely to conform and/or comply with federal statute or regulations. Please cite the specific federal statute or regulation this rule is being adopted to conform or comply with, and describe the consequences to the state if the rule is not adopted.

Citation and description:

☐ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt because the agency has completed the pilot rule process defined by RCW 34.05.313 before filing the notice of this proposed rule.

☐ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under the provisions of RCW 15.65.570(2) because it was adopted by a referendum.

☒ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.025(3). Check all that apply:

☐ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(b) (Internal government operations)
☐ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(c) (Incorporation by reference)
☐ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(d) (Correct or clarify language)
☐ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(f) (Set or adjust fees)
☒ RCW 34.05.310 (4)(g) ((i) Relating to agency hearings; or (ii) process requirements for applying to an agency for a license or permit)

☐ This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW _____.

Explanation of exemptions, if necessary:

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF NO EXEMPTION APPLIES

If the proposed rule is not exempt, does it impose more-than-minor costs (as defined by RCW 19.85.020(2)) on businesses?

☐ No Briefly summarize the agency’s analysis showing how costs were calculated. ______

☐ Yes Calculations show the rule proposal likely imposes more-than-minor cost to businesses, and a small business economic impact statement is required. Insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the small business economic impact statement or the detailed cost calculations by contacting:

Name: 
Address: 
Phone: 
Fax: 
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Other: 

Date: June 1, 2022

Name: Brenda Villarreal
Title: DCYF Rules Coordinator

Signature: