

# Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Department of Community and Cultural Affairs Child Care Licensing Program – Child Care Development Fund



## Notice of Public Town Hall Meeting to Update the Northern Mariana Islands Administrative Code Child Care Rules and Regulations



## Childcare Townhall Meeting

## <u>TINIAN</u>

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

Tinian Elementary School Cafeteria
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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### **SAIPAN**

Thursday, December 14, 2023
Koblerville Elementary School Cafeteria
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 21, 2023 Kagman Elementary School Cafeteria 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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### **ROTA**

Tuesday, December 19, 2023 Sinapalo Elementary School Cafeteria 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.



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### A REVIEW to UPDATE the Child Care Rules and Regulations



The CNMI Department of Community and Cultural Affairs (DCCA) Child Care Licensing Program (CCLP) is currently in the process of reviewing its regulations as promulgated in 3 §1401-1409, that provides for the CMC development of comprehensive child care standard and the licensing of day care centers. Furthermore, 3 CMC §1404 designates DCCA as the agency responsible for licensing day care facilities and directs DCCA to develop policies, procedures and regulations with regard to day care licensing and operation. These rules were first adopted in 1986. Therefore, it is necessary to revise the rules appropriate to the trends in child care and early childhood education and to update the rules consistent with partnering agencies.

These revisions may include protocols from the recent CoVid-19 experience, updated emergency preparedness procedures, and other precedence and etiquette that are relevant to the proper implementation of Child Care development and services in the CNMI.

Public Hearings will be held at several community locations on Saipan, Tinian and Rota to generate additional data, information, and feedback from stakeholders and the community at large. A schedule will be published as required through media outlets, both social and traditional means such as radio, newspaper, CCLP website. This is an opportunity to receive comments from providers, community partners, stakeholders, and the general public to the rule changes.

Please share this information with agencies, providers, and provider organizations that may have an interest in Child Care development and services.

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