



National Center on Tribal Early Childhood Development

Changing Categories of Care

Wednesdays 2:00–3:00 p.m. EDT

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Fridays 1:00–2:00 p.m. EDT



Please Join Us

Wednesday's 2:00 – 3:00 EDT	Friday's 1:00 – 2:00 EDT
July 29 th	July 31 st
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Office Hour Topics

- Kick-Off
- CARES Act Spending
- COVID-19 Impact on Regulations
- Parental Choice for Care
- Changing Categories of Care
- Building the Supply of Care
- Reopening Childcare
- Closing

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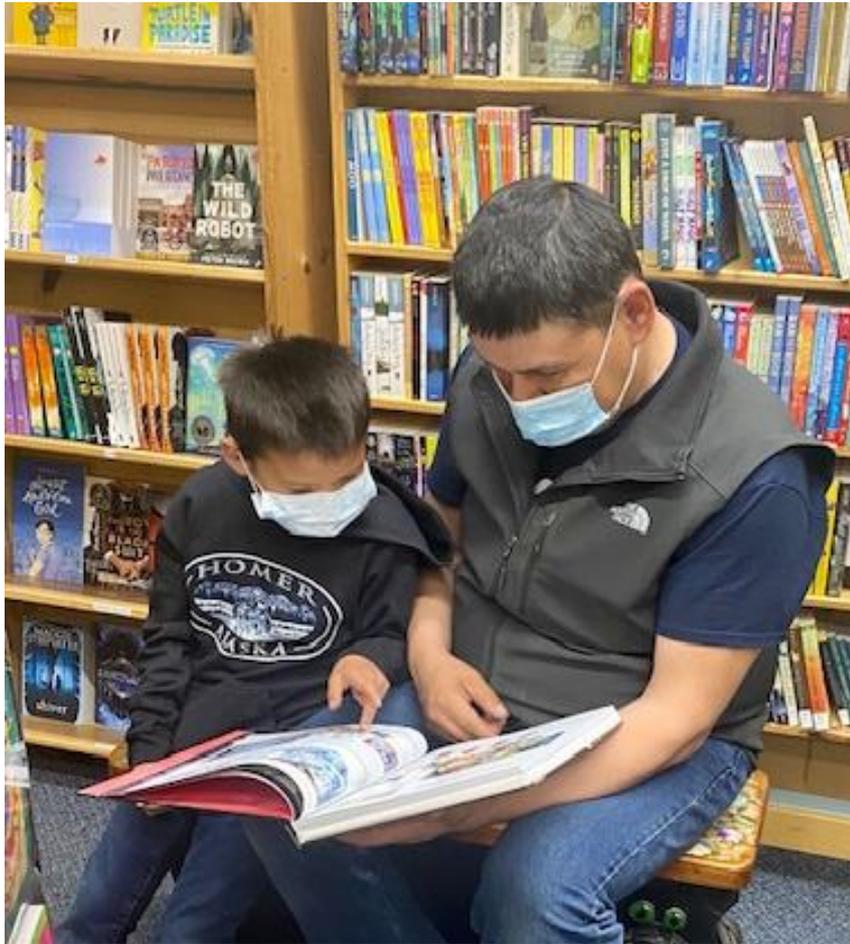


Poll Question

- ◆ What is your Tribal allocation size?
 - Small
 - Medium
 - Large



Poll Check-in



- ◆ Have you determined that you need to change or add categories of care considering COVID-19?
 - How did you get to this decision?

Direct Child Care Services

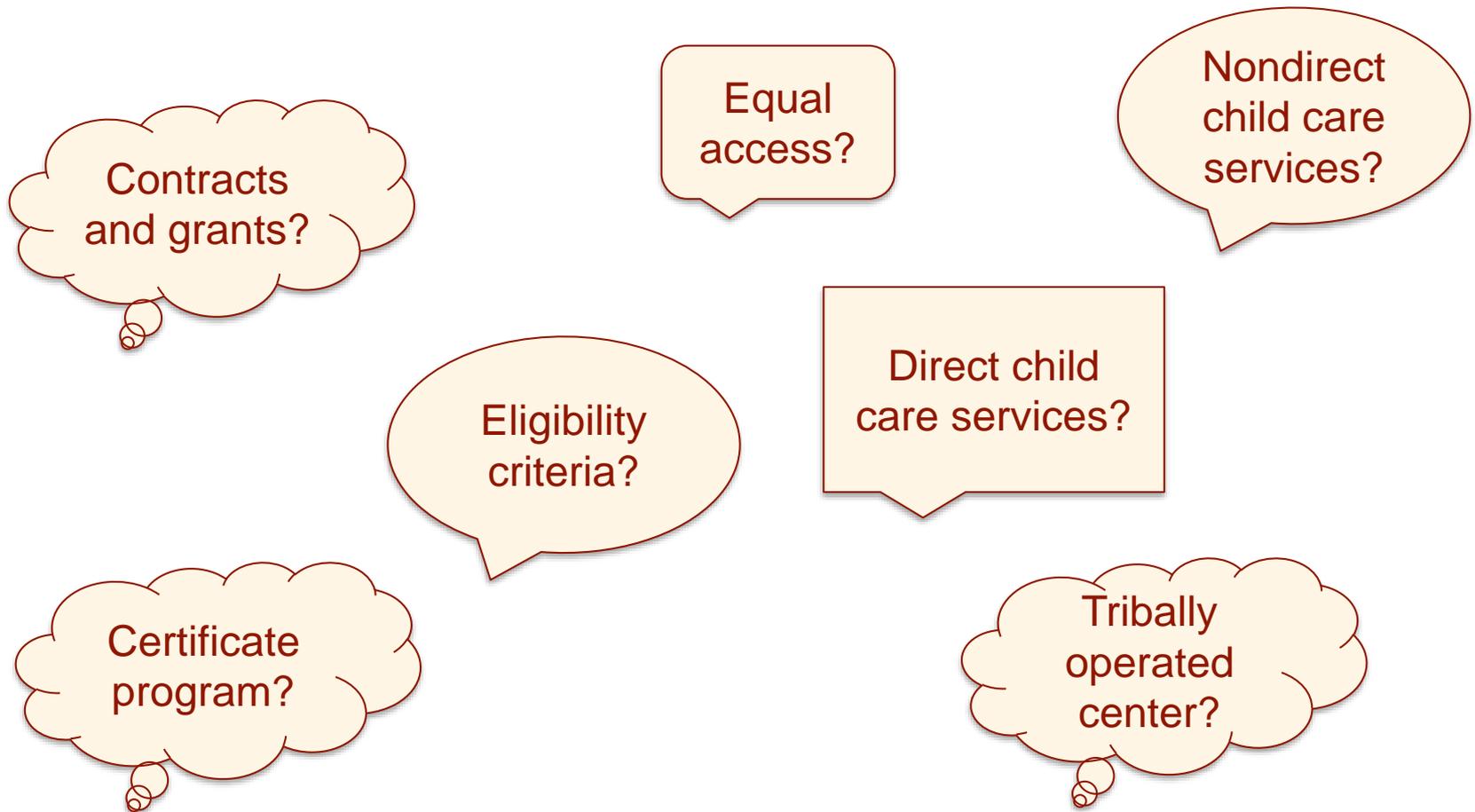
Funding Mechanism

vs. Provider Type

- ◆ **Center-based child care:** A provider who is licensed or authorized to provide care for fewer than 24 hours per day in a nonresidential setting.
 - ◆ **Family child care:** One or more individuals caring for children in a private residence that is not the children's residence.
 - ◆ **In-home child care:** An individual who provides child care services in the child's own home.
- ◆ **Child care certificate:** A certificate that a Tribal Lead Agency issues directly to a parent who may use the certificate only as payment for child care services or as a deposit for child care services.
 - ◆ **Grants and contracts:** A Tribal Lead Agency chooses to contract with, or provide grants to, eligible providers to make child care slots available to families who participate in the Tribe's child care assistance program.
 - ◆ **Tribally operated center:** A child care center operated by the Tribal Lead Agency.

Source: Child Care and Development Fund, 45 C.F.R. § 98.2 (2016).

How Do You Assess Your Community's Needs and Determine Which Services to Provide?



What is a Community Needs Assessment?

- ◆ This system involves the ways in which the Tribal Lead Agency determines the Tribal community's child care needs. The community needs assessment process, which is guided by the CCDF Administrator, provides information that can be used to inform CCDF program planning and decision making.
- ◆ Through an effective community needs assessment system, the CCDF Administrator can ensure that the CCDF program delivers services that meet the needs of AI/AN children and families. This process can provide information on the needs of any underserved populations, such as infants and toddlers, families experiencing homelessness, children with special needs, and children in need of nontraditional hours of care.

Goals

- ◆ Why would the Tribal Lead Agency like to change categories of care?
- ◆ How many children will the Tribal Lead Agency serve in your new program setting?
- ◆ What provider types does the Tribal Lead Agency want to see children in?
- ◆ Will other funding mechanisms be discontinued to make way for the new option?

Staffing

- ◆ Who will administer the program option?
- ◆ What will the staff training plan look like?
- ◆ Who will be responsible for start-up?
- ◆ How will parent and provider communication be handled?
- ◆ How does CCCR&R fit; does your eligibility person handle that?

Providers

- ◆ What types of providers will the Tribal Lead Agency be funding?
- ◆ How will you ensure that they're meeting the Tribal Lead Agency's required health and safety standards?
- ◆ How will payment rates that ensure equal access be set?
- ◆ How will the Tribal Lead Agency ensure provider friendly payment practices?

Discussion



- ◆ What support do you need to move forward with your new category of care?

- ◆ What questions do you still have?



Reflective Evaluation

What worked today?

What do we want
more of?

Resources

- ◆ Guide to Subsidy Administration for Medium- and Large-Allocation Grantees
<https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/resource/american-indian-and-alaska-native-child-care-and-development-fund-guide-subsidy>
- ◆ Subsidy Topical Resource Page:
<https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/subsidy-eligibility-and-equal-access-resource-page>
- ◆ *Sample Policies and Procedures for Subsidy Administration and Equal Access:*
https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/public/sample_policies_and_procedures_for_subsidy_administration.pdf

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