

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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M E M O R A N D U M

What's Inside:
Job Search
Code Change

TO: ALL REGIONAL AND COUNTY CD AND FSD STAFF

FROM: JOANIE ROGERS, INTERIM DIRECTOR CHILDREN'S DIVISION
KIM EVANS, DIRECTOR, FAMILY SUPPORT DIVISION

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY CHANGES IN ELIGIBILITY FOR CHILD CARE

The 2021 Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA) allows for temporary changes in eligibility for Child Care Subsidy.

Job Search for Loss of Employment due to COVID-19

Low-income Missouri families are unemployed due to COVID-19 are eligible to receive a temporary Child Care Subsidy benefit for job search. The time frame for this benefit is **60 days**. The benefit is available for applications received **June 1 2021 through September 30, 2022**. Families that apply must indicate that they have had a loss of employment due to COVID-19 and must agree that they are searching for work. This criteria will be verified by client statement and must be documented in FAMIS comments in both FM3Z/EUMEMROL and FMAC/CCNEED.

In FAMIS, the Child Care Need (FMAC/CCNEED) screen requires each parent in the eligibility unit to have the **Employment Loss COVID (ELC)** code entered as the reason for need. Client statement will be accepted as verification.

NECESSARY ACTION

1. Review this memorandum with all Children's Division and Family Support Division staff.
2. Review revised Child Care Subsidy sections as indicated below.
3. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels and directed to:

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CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PROGRAM MANUAL REVISIONS N/A	
FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS N/A	
REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES	
RELATED STATUTE N/A	