

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES



PROPOSED CHANGES TO REGULATIONS

7 AAC 57. CHILD CARE FACILITIES LICENSING.



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***Please see the public notice for details about how to
comment on these proposed changes.***

Notes to reader:

1. Except as discussed in note 2, new text that amends an existing regulation is **bolded and underlined**.
2. If the lead-in line above the text of each section of the regulations states that a new section, subsection, paragraph, or subparagraph is being added, or that an existing section, subsection, paragraph, or subparagraph is being repealed and readopted (replaced), *the new or replaced text is not bolded or underlined*.
3. [ALL-CAPS TEXT WITHIN BRACKETS] indicates text that is to be deleted.
4. When the word “including” is used, Alaska Statutes provide that it means “including, but not limited to.”
5. Only the text that is being changed within a section of the current regulations is included in this draft. Refer to the text of that whole section, published in the current Alaska Administrative Code, to determine how a proposed change relates within the context of the whole section and the whole chapter.

**Title 7 Health and Social Services.
Chapter 57. Child Care Facilities Licensing.**

7 AAC 57.350. Orientation and training.

7 AAC 57.350(f) is amended to read:

(f) Except as provided in the training requirements of 7 AAC 57.300 for the administrator, and of 7 AAC 57.330 for a child care associate, a child care center, child care group home, or child care home shall ensure that each administrator, child care associate, and caregiver receives at least 24 hours of training relevant to **early childhood** [CHILD] care and **education, of which at least 1 hour of training must be on one of the health and safety training topics required under (a)(4) of this section,** [DEVELOPMENT] each year, based on the individual's hire date with the facility. The 24 hours must be in addition to the orientation and training required under (a) of this section and the training in first aid and CPR required under (e) of this section. The annual training requirements of this subsection may be satisfied each year by obtaining college credit relevant to **early childhood** [CHILD] care and **education, must include**

the training approved by the department, and one of the health and safety training topics required under (a)(4) of this section [DEVELOPMENT].

7 AAC 57.350(i) is amended to read:

(i) In addition to meeting the requirements of (a) and (b) of this section, a part-time caregiver working 15 hours or less a week shall complete at least 12 hours of training relevant to **early childhood** [CHILD] care and **education, of which at least 1 hour of training must be on one of the health and safety training topics required under (a)(4) of this section,** [DEVELOPMENT] each year, based on the individual's hire date with the facility. The annual training requirements of this subsection may be satisfied each year by obtaining college credit relevant to **early childhood** [CHILD] care and **education, must include the training approved by the department, and one of the health and safety training topics required under (a)(4) of this section** [DEVELOPMENT].

7 AAC 57.350(j) is amended to read:

(j) An administrator, child care associate, or caregiver may count **up to six hours of the** orientation and pre-service training hours required under 7 AAC 57.030(a) [THAT EXCEED SIX HOURS TOWARD] **for the first year's** training hours required under (f) of this section. (Eff. 6/23/2006, Register 178; am 5/15/2016, Register 218; am 9/30/2018, Register 227; am ____/____/____, Register ____)

Authority: AS 44.29.020

AS 47.32.010

AS 47.32.030

7 AAC 57.350 is amended by adding an editor's note to read:

Editor's note: A copy of the approved lists of health and safety training courses are available at the Department of Health and Social Services, Child Care Program Office, Division of Public Assistance, Frontier Building, 3601 C St., Suite 140, Anchorage, AK 99503, telephone number (907) 269-4500; or on the internet at <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/ccare/default.aspx> .