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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Triptaa Surve, Department of Health

FROM: April Simpson, Office of the Lieutenant Governor 
465.4081

DATE: January 2, 2025

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Health

Department of Health regulations re: Division of Public Assistance: Child Care
Assistance Program (7 AAC 41)

Attorney General File:	2024200277
Regulation Filed:	1/2/2025
Effective Date:	2/1/2025
Print:	253, April 2025

cc with enclosures: Beth Parsons, Department of Law
Bob Dame, LexisNexis



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December 31, 2024

The Honorable Nancy Dahlstrom
Lieutenant Governor
State of Alaska
P.O. Box 110015
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Re: 7 AAC 41: DOH, Division of Public Assistance: Child Care Assistance
Program
Our file: 2024200277

Dear Lieutenant Governor Dahlstrom:

The Department of Law has reviewed the attached regulations of the Department of Health against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This letter constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations. The regulations were adopted by the Department of Health after the close of the public comment period.

The regulations, in response to recommendations from the Governor's Task Force on Child Care, remove requirements that standards for tribal entities be more stringent than related state regulations, and that a child care provider who is providing care only to a qualifying relative have at least a high school diploma, general education development (GED) diploma, or the equivalent.

The October 13, 2024 public notice and the December 26, 2024 adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.060 is not required.

No technical corrections were necessary to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.060.

Sincerely,

TREG TAYLOR
ATTORNEY GENERAL

By: Rebecca C. Polizzotto
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Chief Assistant Attorney General
Legislation, Regulations, and
Legislative Research Section

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CC w/enclosure: Triptaa Surve, Project Coordinator
Department of Health

Laura Russell, Assistant Attorney General
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Steven C. Weaver, Assistant Attorney General
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ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The attached one page of regulations, dealing with the Child Care Assistance Program, is adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Department of Health adopts under the authority of AS 47.05.300, AS 47.05.310, AS 47.05.340, and AS 47.25.001, and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

In considering public comments, the Department of Health paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

**Heidi
Hedberg** Digitally signed
by Heidi Hedberg
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Heidi Hedberg, Commissioner
Department of Health

FILING CERTIFICATION

April Simpson for

I, Nancy Dahlstrom, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on January 2

2025, at 9:05 a. m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 -
44.62.120.

for April Simpson
for Lieutenant Governor Nancy Dahlstrom

Effective: February 1, 2025

Register: 253, April 2025

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, NANCY DAHLSTROM, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have
signed and affixed the Seal of the State of
Alaska, in Juneau, on May 15th, 2023.**



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Nancy Dahlstrom", is written over a horizontal dotted line.

**NANCY DAHLSTROM
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

7 AAC 41.200(a)(4) is amended to read:

(4) a current certificate or other approval granted by a tribal entity in accordance with the Child Care and Development Fund requirements under 42 U.S.C. 618 (Title IV, sec. 418, Social Security Act) and 45 C.F.R. Part 98 of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families [, WITH PROVIDER STANDARDS THAT MEET OR EXCEED THE STANDARDS OF THIS CHAPTER];

7 AAC 41.200(b)(2) is repealed:

(2) repealed 2 / 1 / 2025;

(Eff. 6/23/2006, Register 178; am 2/9/2007, Register 181; am 1/5/2017, Register 221; am 2 / 1 / 2025, Register 253)

Authority: AS 47.05.300 AS 47.05.340 AS 47.25.001
AS 47.05.310