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Pete Ricketts, Governor

February 25, 2021

Ellen Wheatley
Acting Director, Office of Child Care
Administration for Children and Families
330 C Street SW
Washington, DC 20201

RE: Nebraska's CRRSA Spend Plan

Dear Director Wheatley,

Please accept this letter from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) acknowledging the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSA) funds and requirement to submit a Fund Report. With the tremendous benefit offered to our child care providers and families in Nebraska by this opportunity, we are excited to receive this funding.

DHHS is still collaborating with internal and external partner on the CRRSA spend plan. DHHS will finalize the plan once final guidance for the CRRSA funds from the Administration of Children and Families (ACF) is received.

Below is a status update addressing the five required topics.

Direct Child Care Services (Subsidies):

Activities will be finalized once guidance is received.

Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices:

Activities will be finalized once guidance is received.

Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers:

Activities will be finalized once guidance is received.

Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic:

Activities will be finalized once guidance is received.

Other:

Activities will be finalized once guidance is received.

We are very appreciative of these funds, which will be dedicated to keeping child care providers open while offering safe and quality child care options for families. DHHS will provide updates once the CRRSA spend plan is finalized.

Sincerely,
/s/

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Chief Executive Officer
Department of Health and Human Services

cc: Doris Hallford, OCC Regional Program Manager, Region VII
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