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PURCHASE OF CHILD CARE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS

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RE: PURCHASE OF CARE (POC) CHANGES FOR CHILD CARE 
    DURING NON-TRADITIONAL HOURS

PROGRAM AFFECTED: PURCHASE OF CARE (POC)

ORIGINATING OFFICE: CHILD CARE ADMINISTRATION 
                      OFFICE OF PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

SUMMARY:

Effective July 1, 2001, the Child Care Administration is making regulatory and/or procedural changes to the Purchase of Care (POC) program. This action transmittal provides information on changes associated with child care during non-traditional hours. Non-traditional hours are 1 hour or more between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. and any period of 1 hour or more on Saturday or Sunday.

We continue to pay a differential percentage above the subsidy rates listed on the voucher for care authorized during non-traditional hours, but the number of hours per week changes as follows:

- 5% above the subsidy for less than 10 hours
- 10% above the subsidy for 10 hours or more, but less than 20 hours
- 15% above the subsidy for 20 hours or more
ACTION REQUIRED:

The case manager authorizes the voucher for non-traditional hours. CCAMIS computes and displays the differential amount on the voucher based on the number of maximum weekly hours of authorized care.

CCAMIS PROCEDURES:

• Enter “Y” for yes at the voucher issuance screen in the data field for Non-Traditional Care

• Enter the maximum weekly hours authorized

• CCAMIS computes and displays the differential amount

ACTION DUE:

The changes are effective July 1, 2001.

INQUIRIES:

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