Job Impact Statement

1. Nature of Impact:

The New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) does not anticipate that this rule will have a negative impact on employment opportunities in any region of the state. Increasing the market rate for child care assistance will aid in stabilizing the child care market, thus allowing for the retention and creation of jobs in the child care sector. This rule also removes the requirement that a parent or caretaker receiving child care assistance to attend post-secondary education programs work a minimum of 17.5 hours per week. OCFS does not anticipate that this rule will have a negative impact on employment opportunities in any region of the state. This change will provide more opportunity for community employment growth when the child care assistance recipient has obtained a degree and is entering the workforce.

2. Categories and Numbers Affected:

It is estimated that there are approximately 15,000 licensed/registered child care programs, 2,100 permitted group day care programs, and 6,000 enrolled legally exempt child care programs in New York State, and 58 social services districts.

3. Regions of Adverse Impact:

This rule applies to licensed/registered and enrolled legally exempt child care programs, and social services districts. There are no regions where this rule will have a disproportionate adverse impact on employment opportunities.

4. Minimizing Adverse Impact:

OCFS does not anticipate an adverse impact.