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Office of Children and Family Services
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Otsego County is requesting to amend the Child and Family Services plan to include:

1. Family Share- Decrease from 10% to 1%.
2. Increase absent days for all modalities from 24 to 40 per fiscal year.
3. Allow up to 5 program closure days for all modalities per fiscal year.
4. Provide Childcare Subsidy for Public Assistance (PA) families participating in an approved activity in addition to their required work activity.
5. PA families or families with incomes up to 200% of the State Income Standard when childcare services are needed for the child to be protected because the caretaker is:
 - a) participating in an approved substance abuse treatment program
 - b) homeless
 - c) a victim of domestic violence and participating in an approved activity
 - d) in an emergency situation of short duration

Families with incomes up to 200% of the State Income Standard when childcare services are needed:

6. as the child's caretaker is actively seeking employment. Care to be subsidized for a period of 16 hours per week and up to three (3) months. Care may continue, pending eligibility if employment is found. If not, case will be closed.
7. Families with incomes up to 200% of the State Income Standard when childcare services are needed as the caretaker attends:
 - (a) a public or private educational facility providing a standard high school curriculum offered by or approved by the local school district.
 - (b) An education program that prepares an individual to obtain a NYS High School equivalency diploma
 - (c) Program providing basic remedial education in the areas of reading, writing, mathematics, and oral communications for individuals functioning below the ninth month of the eighth-grade level.

(d) Program providing literacy training designed to help individuals improve their ability to read and write

(e) English as a second language (ESL) instructional program designed to develop skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing the English language for individuals whose primary language is other than English.

f) a two-year full-time degree granting program at a community college, a two-year college, or an undergraduate college with a specific vocational goal leading to an Associate Degree or certificate of completion

g) a training program, which has a specific occupational goal, certification of completion is provided and is conducted by an institution other than a college or university that is licensed or approved by the State Education Department

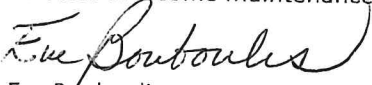
The caretaker must complete the selected programs listed within 30 consecutive calendar months. The caretaker cannot enroll in more than one program.

Sincerely,



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Director of Income Maintenance



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