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MEMORANDUM TO: Early Years and Child Care Partners

FROM: Shannon Fuller
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Early Years and Child Care Division

DATE: October 2, 2017

SUBJECT: **Regulatory Registry Posting, Proposed Regulatory
Amendments under the *Child Care and Early Years
Act, 2014***

Dear Early Years Partners,

As you know, on August 31, 2015, the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014* (CCEYA) came into effect replacing the *Day Nurseries Act* (DNA). Given the transformative scope of the legislative framework for the child care and early years sector, the ministry continues to take a multi-year, phased approach to the development and implementation of new updated regulatory requirements under the Act.

On June 6, 2017, the government released the [Renewed Early Years and Child Care Policy Framework](#), and a vision to ensure that all children and families have access to a range of high-quality, inclusive and affordable early years and child care programs and services that are child- and family-centred and contribute to children's learning, development and well-being.

The Ministry of Education is pleased to announce that today we are moving forward with the next phase of regulatory amendments under the CCEYA. The proposed regulatory amendments are now posted on the Regulatory Registry and available for public comment.

The proposed regulatory amendments support the implementation of the Renewed Early Years and Child Care Policy Framework as they are aligned with the commitment to increase access, affordability, responsiveness and quality of child care and early years programs and services.

These proposed regulations are based on best practices, lessons learned, and stakeholder feedback to date. The proposed regulatory amendments under the CCEYA are intended to:

- Reduce administrative burden for child care providers and families;
- Enhance enforcement;
- Clarify existing requirements for authorized recreational and skill building programs;

- Update funding regulations with current practices and policies;
- Revoke Schedule 2 age groupings and ratios and;
- Make technical amendments.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to transform the early years and child care system as part of the province's Renewed Early Years and Child Care Policy Framework. Building on the previous phases of regulatory changes, these proposed changes will continue to refine and improve the regulatory framework while continuing to support children's health, safety, and well-being.

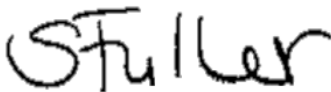
The Ministry of Education values the unique and diverse perspectives of our child care and early years partners. Proposed regulatory changes will be posted on the Regulatory Registry for public comment until December 1, 2017, at [this website link](#).

You may also send your response by e-mail to: CCGE_modernization@ontario.ca or by mail to:

Regulatory Registry Feedback
c/o Early Years and Child Care Division
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Thank you for your ongoing partnership in supporting the child care and early years needs of families in Ontario.

Sincerely,



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