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MEMORANDUM

TO: Gold Seal Designated Providers

FROM: Cari Miller

DATE: June 30, 2023

SUBJECT: Gold Seal Quality Care Program Updates

Effective July 1, 2021, the Gold Seal Quality Care Program was established within the Florida Department of Education (FDOE). FDOE's Division of Early Learning promulgated Rules 6M-10.001, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), Gold Seal Quality Care Program, and 6M-10.002, F.A.C., Gold Seal Quality Care Accrediting Associations, which became effective May 3, 2022.

Pursuant to section (s.) 1002.945, Florida Statutes (F.S.), a child care facility, large family child care home or family day care home that is accredited by an accrediting association approved by the FDOE under subsection (3) and meets all other requirements may apply for a Gold Seal Quality Care designation. However, in order for providers to maintain this designation, they must not have any class I violation, three or more of the same class II violation, or three or more of the same class III violation that remain uncorrected within one year after the date of each citation.

This memo is to inform Gold Seal designated providers that notification of designation termination is forthcoming for current Gold Seal Quality Care providers that have committed a disqualifying minimum standards violation as defined in s. 1002.945(4), F.S.

For additional information regarding the Gold Seal Quality Care Program, contact the Division of Early Learning at DEL-GoldSeal@del.fldoe.org.

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