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My name is Katrina Harden, Employment Supervisor. I am a vendor contracted through the Department of Welfare and Bureau of Employment & Training in Mercer County.

In reading the proposed regulations relating to the provisions for child care of families who receive Temporary Assitstance for Needy Families (TANF), Foodstamps, and General Assistance (GA), I am elated to see the verbage in the regulations are changing to be in more lamens terms for our participants. Many of participants are confused by the "federal" terms that are used in the materials that are coming from Congress.

I am particularly glad to see the Adminstration working towards unification. To often we have conflicting information between who is eligible for services, who is not eligible and what sorts of service providers are considered "true" providers relating to the terms that are defined in the Child Care Subsidy regulations.

In terms of actually receiving Subsidized Child Care, it is nice to know that individuals or "families" can better chose child care without stringent restrictions.

Thank you for the chance to comment,


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