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Subject: ERDC Reduction Notice to Child Care Providers

Applies to (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Children, Adults and Families | <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors and People with Disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): |

Message: Child Care Provider letters regarding reductions were sent prematurely. The reduction actions are currently being reviewed. A final decision on implementation date is pending. You may receive calls related to this letter. Clients affected by any reductions will receive a timely notice. A copy of the letter is attached for your information. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

Contact(s):	Peggy Cain Barbara Zharkoff Shiela Carter	503-945-6247 503-945-6087 503-945-6110
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March 16, 2009

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Due to budget conditions, the Department of Human Services must make changes to the Employment Related Day Care (ERDC) program effective April 1, 2009. These changes are:

- Families will no longer receive a reduced copay in the first month of ERDC benefits.
- Families who are only self-employed will no longer be eligible for ERDC. (Families with both self-employment and regular employment might be eligible for child care during the regular work hours.)
- Families who do not meet citizenship or alien status requirements will no longer qualify for ERDC.

Benefits will end March 31, 2009 for families who are only self-employed or do not meet citizenship or alien status requirements. This means some families will no longer get child care help.

If you have questions, please call Direct Pay Unit at 1-800-699-9074 or 503-378-5500 (Salem).

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