



**CCDBG Proposed Regulations & Subsidy transition** Liz Kelley

- Federal CCDBG proposed regulations are [online](#) for comment until February 22, 2016. The ACF and national advocacy organizations are requesting that anyone interested in submitting comments consider signing on to comments from an organization representing your views to limit duplication.
  - MFN will send/post comments you may want to join.
  - One change of note: providers would not be permitted to charge parents any amount above the state-assigned co-payment.
- MSDE's hearing on its [2016-2018 CCDF State Plan](#) is scheduled for January 15, 2016, and written comments will be accepted until February 15, 2016.
- Changes to the Subsidy Eligibility Determination as of December 21, 2015:
  - The Local Departments of Social Services (LDSS) resumed eligibility determination for Temporary Cash Assistance Customers.
  - Non-TCA Customers continue to mail or fax voucher applications to CCS Central.
  - All completed/signed vouchers must be mailed or faxed to CCS Central to be receipted. **Returning vouchers to the LDSS office will delay the process of receipting.**

**General Assembly Key Dates & Legislative Outlook** Clinton Macsherry

- Budget will be released on January 20, but it will take some time to analyze what's in it. MFN will let you know when we know more about what's in it.
- The bill to address the problems of illegal child care, sponsored by Sen. Nancy King and Del. Kathleen Dumais will be introduced very soon. It has been revised since it was presented at the October Public Policy meeting to address the concerns raised at that time.
- Del. Ariana Kelly will introduce her family and medical leave insurance bill.
- There may be a bill addressing the state funding required under the federal pre-K expansion grant for 2018 and 2019.
- The hearings on the DECD budget will be March 2 at 1:00 in the House and March 3 at 1:00 in the Senate.

**Legislative Session Public Policy meetings will be held at Arundel Child Care Connections, 44 Calvert Street, Annapolis MD 21401**

January 27, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

March 9, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

February 10, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

March 23, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

February 24, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.