CHILD CARE CORNER

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FAMILY FEE REMINDER

A Family Fee is assessed based on the family's adjusted monthly income and family size. Families are notified when they are required to pay a Family Fee and when changes to the amount of Family Fee changes. Family Fees are assessed based on the amount of care. Full time for child care services of 6 hours or more per day and part time Family Fee for child care services of less than 6 hours per day.

The Family Fee is assessed on the family's child who spends the longest period in child care. A Family Fee is assessed for any days charged, including excused and unexcused absences, and days the facility is closed e.g. holidays.

Provider's are responsible to issue an original pre-numbered receipt to the parents upon receipt of Family Fee payments. The receipt must show the parent's/provider's name, amount paid, date of payment, rate of payment, period of service, and signature of the person issuing the receipt rather than a business stamp or the name of the facility.

Parents are responsible to pay the Family Fee directly to their provider and to provide the StanWORKs Child Care program with the original prenumbered receipt received from the provider.

A Family Fee is considered delinquent on the date the StanWORKs Child Care program is notified by the provider that the Family Fee has not been paid, or is not submitted with the corresponding request for reimbursement. A delinquent Family Fee will result in the discontinuance of the child care case.