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DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

November 13, 2020

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Dear License Exempt Child Care Subsidy Provider,

On August 7, 2020, Governor Pete Ricketts signed LB1185 into law requiring all license exempt and inhome child care subsidy providers to submit fingerprints for a national criminal history record check every five years. If child care is provided in the provider's home, individuals residing in the home of a license exempt child care subsidy provider who are 18 years of age and older are also required to submit fingerprints every five years. Some relatives may be exempt from this requirement.

Implementation will begin January 2021 through September 2021. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has coordinated with the Nebraska State Patrol to send a letter notifying you of your assigned window of time to submit fingerprints and the necessary steps to follow. You do not need to do anything until you receive your letter.

DHHS will pay the full cost (\$45.25) of fingerprinting and processing of existing license exempt providers, in-home providers, and required household members who were part of a child care subsidy agreement and household prior to November 13, 2020.

Household members who join a child care home after November 13, 2020 must submit fingerprints for a national criminal history record check and results must be disseminated from DHHS prior to the individual living at a child care residence. These individuals are responsible for the fingerprint and processing cost. Please contact your assigned Resource Developer to report new members right away.

Please review our website at: <u>http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Child-Care-Providers.aspx</u> for up-to-date background check information and resources, including forms and public LiveScan fingerprinting sites. If you have any questions, please contact your Resource Developer.

The Department thanks you for your commitment to provide safe and quality child care for Nebraska's children.

Sincerely,

Nicole Vint, MSW

Child Care Administrator Department of Health and Human Services

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Pete Ricketts, Governor