The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed the Department of Health and Social Services/Division of Social Services’ (DSSs) proposal to revise its Child Care Subsidy Program regulation to authorize participation by families referred by the Transitional Work Program (TWP). Such families are deemed to have met the otherwise applicable “need criteria” and are not required to provide medical certification of a child’s or parent’s special needs. Applicants would be required to have income below 200% of the FPL. The proposed regulation was published as 13 DE Reg. 1049 in the February 1, 2010 issue of the Register of Regulations.

Since the regulation expands eligibility for child care for persons with special needs, SCPD endorses the proposed regulation subject to one recommendation. DSS may wish to consider inserting “gross” between the words “have” and “household” in Par. 2 of the new section. Compare 16 DE Admin Code 11003.6.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact SCPD if you have any questions or comments regarding our position or observations on the proposed regulation.

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