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May 16, 2012

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Interested Parties

**FROM:** Dedra Alston  
Rule-Making Coordinator

**RE:** Proposed Changes to 10A NCAC 09 .3001-.3016 – NC Pre-K Services

The NC Child Care Commission proposes to adopt rules that are in direct response with S.L. 2011-145 s 10.7(a) which transferred the More at Four program from the Department of Public Instruction to the Division of Child Development and Early Education. S.L. 2011-145 gave the Child Care Commission the rule-making authority to adopt programmatic standards for the regulation of NC Pre-Kindergarten (NC Pre-K) classrooms. The program will meet and offer the same standard of high quality early education as the More at Four program which has been maintained for the last 10 years. The rules will fall under the APA process and will be codified under 10A NCAC 09 .3000 - NC Pre-Kindergarten Services.

A public hearing will be held on **June 27**, beginning at **1:30 p.m.** at the Division Child Development and Early Education, 319 Chapanoke Rd., Suite 120, Room 300, Raleigh, NC. A copy of the proposed rules as published in the June 1, NC Register is attached and will also be available on the Division's website at [www.ncchildcare.net](http://www.ncchildcare.net) under the "What's New" and "Child Care Rules, Law and Public Information" tabs.

In accordance with G.S. 150B-21.4 the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) has determined that there is no estimated fiscal impact to private parties or to local/state agencies. A copy of the fiscal note is available on OSBM's website at [http://www.osbm.state.nc.us/files/pdf\\_files/DHHS05072012.pdf](http://www.osbm.state.nc.us/files/pdf_files/DHHS05072012.pdf).

The Child Care Commission encourages and welcomes feedback from you. This is an opportunity for the public to provide input on the proposed rules. It will be helpful for the Commission to hear your concerns or support for these changes as the rules are finalized. Written comments may be submitted through **July 31, 2012**, by mail to Dedra Alston, Rule-making Coordinator, NC Division of Child Development and Early Education, 2201 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-2201 or by email to [Dedra.Alston@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:Dedra.Alston@dhhs.nc.gov). Please feel free to visit the Division of Child Development and Early Education's website at [www.ncchildcare.net](http://www.ncchildcare.net) as a source of information about child care and for any updates.

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