

POLICY

CATEGORY: Workforce Programs - Childcare **No: 4.3.107.00**
TITLE: Children of Military Parents on Deployment
SUPERSEDES: N/A
EFFECTIVE: April 27, 2007
BOARD APPROVAL: April 26, 2007 Board of Directors' Meeting
DATE APPROVED: April 26, 2007

I. PURPOSE:

To ensure that no children of a single military parent or dual military parents in combat deployment have a disruption of child care services or eligibility due to the combat deployment.

II. DEFINITIONS:

Child- An individual who meets the general eligibility requirements. A child includes persons born to the parents, persons adopted by either or both parents, the person for whom the parents have legal responsibility granted by the court, or persons provided supervision and care by the parents.

Child Care- Child care services provided by the Board to assist qualified parents who are either working or participating in educational or training activities in accordance with state and federal statutes and regulations.

*Child Care Contractor-*The grant recipient of the funds to implement Child Care Services within the area.

Combat Deployment _- The deployment to military combat away from the home base of the single military parent or the dual military parents of an eligible child enrolled in child care services. This includes deployed parents in the regular military, military reserves, or National Guard.

Dual Military – Both parents are in the regular military, military reserve, or national guard.

Parent (s)– Individual(s) responsible for the care and supervision of the child identified as the child' natural parent, adoptive parent, stepparent, or legal guardian.

Single Military Parent – An individual that is a single parent and is in the regular military, military reserve or national guard.

III. POLICY STATEMENT:

The Contractor shall ensure that no children of military parents in combat deployment have a disruption of child care services or eligibility due to the combat deployment.

The increased income related to combat deployment will be disregarded.

The parent’s share of cost during the combat deployment will be frozen.

IV. PROCEDURES:

N/A

V. RELATED POLICY INFORMATION:

40 TAC §809.5

VI. RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Contract Manager shall ensure that all relevant staff and the Child Care Management contractor are informed of and comply with this policy.

The Child Care Management contractor shall ensure that appropriate procedures are implemented and that relevant staff receive training regarding the requirements of this policy.

VII. FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS:

WorkSource of the Coastal Bend Child Care Standard Operating Procedures

VIII. DISTRIBUTION: Board Board Staff Contracted Staff

IX. SIGNATURES:

Reviewed by EOO Officer

Date

Executive Director

Date