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(c) (1) The Department of General Services shall:

(i) Construct or acquire the required space to be used by the [group day] CHILD care center, which space shall be submetered for utilities and the costs of which shall be paid by the [day] CHILD care center; and

(ii) Inspect the facility monthly and inform [day] CHILD care center personnel of maintenance deficiencies to be corrected by the [day] CHILD care center.

(2) If any deficiencies under paragraph (1)(ii) of this subsection are not corrected within a reasonable time, the Department of General Services shall notify the Department of [Health and Mental Hygiene] HUMAN RESOURCES which will exact compliance in accordance with the terms of the [day] CHILD care center contract.

(3) The [day] CHILD care center shall pay for any costs of operation of the [day] CHILD care center.

(d) Space originally set aside for a [group day] CHILD care center may be used for other purposes if:

(1) The building has been fully occupied for 180 days; and

(2) An application to operate a [group day] CHILD care center has not been filed under Part [I] VII of this subtitle.

(e) Children of State employees shall have priority over other children in admission to a [group day] CHILD care center in a State-occupied building or nearby buildings.

(f) (1) After a [group day] CHILD care center for children of State employees has been established, the Department of [Health and Mental Hygiene] HUMAN RESOURCES shall assess the child [day] care needs of the State employees using the center at least every 5 years.

(2) If the assessment demonstrates that the service is no longer needed or feasible, the Secretary of the Department of [Health and Mental Hygiene] HUMAN RESOURCES may close the center.

(3) The Secretary of the Department of [Health and Mental Hygiene] HUMAN RESOURCES shall give the [group day] CHILD care center 90 days' written notice of closure.

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