

5-594.4.

THE DEPARTMENT MAY AWARD A DIRECT INCENTIVE GRANT TO AN APPLICANT ONLY IF:

- (1) THE APPLICANT MEETS THE QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY THIS SUBTITLE;
- (2) THE DIRECT INCENTIVE GRANT DOES NOT EXCEED \$2,500; AND
- (3) FEDERAL FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO COVER THE COST OF THE GRANT.

5-594.5.

(A) TO APPLY FOR A DIRECT INCENTIVE GRANT, AN APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT AN APPLICATION ON THE FORM THAT THE DEPARTMENT REQUIRES.

(B) THE APPLICATION SHALL INCLUDE:

- (1) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CHILD CARE PROVIDER;
- (2) AN ITEMIZATION OF KNOWN AND ESTIMATED COSTS INCLUDING A STATEMENT FROM THE CHILD CARE PROVIDER AS TO HOW THE GRANT FUNDS WILL BE USED;
- (3) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDS REQUIRED BY THE PROVIDER TO PURCHASE SUPPLIES, MATERIAL, AND EQUIPMENT;
- (4) THE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE APPLICANT TO PURCHASE SUPPLIES, MATERIAL, AND EQUIPMENT;
- (5) THE AMOUNT OF DIRECT INCENTIVE GRANT FUNDS SOUGHT FROM THE DEPARTMENT;
- (6) THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN THAT THE CHILD CARE PROVIDER SERVES WHO RECEIVE CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES THROUGH THE PURCHASE OF CHILD CARE PROGRAM; AND
- (7) ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION THAT THE DEPARTMENT REQUESTS.

5-594.6.

(A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS PART, THE DEPARTMENT MAY SET THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR DIRECT INCENTIVE GRANTS.

(B) ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, THE DEPARTMENT MAY ESTABLISH PRIORITIES FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF DIRECT INCENTIVE GRANTS BASED ON THE CATEGORIES OF CHILDREN CHILD CARE PROVIDERS SERVE, INCLUDING INFANTS, TODDLERS, AND PRESCHOOL AND SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN.