

# **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Public Comment: Improving Child Care Access, Affordability, and Stability in the Child Care and Development Fund**

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PolicyLab responded to a request for public comment from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Administration of Children and Families on proposed changes to improve child care access and affordability for families and to stabilize payment practices for providers.

In their response, PolicyLab experts provide recommendations to strengthen the proposed rule by considering all costs associated with child care beyond copayments, expanding eligibility for copayment waivers, helping families who speak languages other than English navigate child care services and ensuring online applications are mobile-friendly.

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