

TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION LETTER

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To: Local Workforce Development Board Executive Directors
Commission Executive Offices
Integrated Service Area Managers



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Subject: **Revised American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Performance Targets for Average Number of Children Served Per
Day**

PURPOSE:

To provide Local Workforce Development Boards (Boards) with information and guidance on the revised American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 child care targets for the Average Number of Children Served Per Day performance measure.

BACKGROUND:

The Texas Workforce Commission has taken several deobligation and reallocation actions that modified the amounts available for child care quality improvement activities and direct care, and modified the local workforce development area allocations. The modified allocations are available at http://www.twc.state.tx.us/business/fmgc/arra_ccalloc_update.pdf.

These actions resulted in revised ARRA child care targets for the Average Number of Children Served Per Day performance measure.

PROCEDURES:

Boards must be aware that ARRA child care funds are available only through June 30, 2011.

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Boards must plan and implement ARRA child care services that, at a minimum, meet the revised targets in Attachment 1.

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Boards must be aware that their ARRA child care targets are based on the following assumptions:

- Child care will be provided over a 24-month period.
- Performance will be calculated over a 24-month period.

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Boards may expend funds more quickly; however, to do so the target must be exceeded during the months that they fund ARRA child care in order to average out to the approved target over 24 months. To simplify this calculation and to plan appropriately, Boards may consider the total number of units they are responsible for purchasing over the 24 months.

INQUIRIES:

Direct inquiries regarding this WD Letter to wfpolicy.clarifications@twc.state.tx.us.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: ARRA Average Number of Children Served Per Day
Performance Targets—Revised April 2011

RESCISSIONS:

WD Letter 31-09, Change 2

REFERENCE:

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5), Division A, Title VIII
Texas Labor Code §302.062
Texas Workforce Commission General Administration Rules: 40 TAC, Chapter 800,
Subchapter B

FLEXIBILITY RATINGS:

No Local Flexibility (NLF): This rating indicates that Boards must comply with the federal and state laws, rules, policies, and required procedures set forth in this WD Letter and have no local flexibility in determining whether and/or how to comply. All information with an NLF rating is indicated by “must” or “shall.”

Local Flexibility (LF): This rating indicates that Boards have local flexibility in determining whether and/or how to implement guidance or recommended practices set forth in this WD Letter. All information with an LF rating is indicated by “may” or “recommend.”