

Capital Area Child Care Industry Partnership Initiative Modification Discussion Paper

1 **Background**

2 On December 1, 2020, the Texas Workforce Commission's (TWC) three-member Commission
3 (Commission) [approved](#) the Child Care Industry Partnership (CCIP) program and dedicated \$5 million to
4 expand early childhood education efforts. TWC's goal is to leverage private cash donations with Child
5 Care and Development Fund (CCDF) funds to build and enhance Board partnerships with entities that
6 want to support early childhood education efforts. For each dollar of local funds, TWC provides one
7 dollar of state CCDF funds.

8 Boards partnering with corporations/foundations submit applications to TWC. The CCIP program
9 parameters require that the local cash match be donated to the Board and accepted by the Commission as
10 CCDF match (through the Commission's acceptance of this local match, TWC is able to use these funds
11 to draw down federal CCDF matching funds). Partner match funds are added to the Board's CCIP grant,
12 along with the CCDF matching funds.

13 14 **Issue**

15 Capital Area Workforce Solutions submitted a CCIP application, with \$87,500 in local cash match, to be
16 matched with \$87,500 in state CCDF match. Using funds donated from Texas Mutual Insurance
17 Company, through the United Way of Capital Area, this CCIP project will fund Pre-Kindergarten
18 partnership program support and technical assistance.

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20 While Capital Area assisted in facilitating the donation from Texas Mutual, the local donation was not
21 remitted to TWC for acceptance by the Commission. In addition, these funds were already provided to
22 Capital Area's partner, the United Way, and have already been expended. As such, these funds may not
23 be used to draw down federal CCDF match.

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25 Although these local funds cannot draw down any federal CCDF match, TWC may provide a state match
26 for this local CCIP initiative, if the Commission approves a one-time exception to the prior approved
27 CCIP program design.

28 29 **Decision Point**

30 Staff seeks direction on approving a one-time exception as described above to allow Capital Area
31 Workforce Solutions to receive \$87,500 from TWC in CCDF funds to match Texas Mutual's donation
32 and make their approved CCIP initiative whole.

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