January 26, 2021

Ellen Wheatley, Director
Office of Child Care
Administration for Children and Families
Mary E Switzer Building
330 C ST SW, Room 4502
Washington DC 20201

Dear Ms. Wheatley:

On Wednesday January 13, 2021 Oklahoma Governor Kevin Stitt signed the Ninth Amended Executive Order 2020-20 continuing the state of emergency for all 77 Oklahoma Counties due to Covid-19. On behalf of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, we are requesting an extension on our current Plan Waiver, due to the unrelenting nature of the ongoing emergency. The original waiver stated it would continue for the duration of the State of Oklahoma’s Covid-19 disaster declaration.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes CCDF program current waiver allows for: Waiver of Co-payments for Families. The Program is currently paying providers the full amount of child care during the State of Oklahoma’s disaster declaration. By extending this waiver, families will continue to be assisted with child care services during this unprecedented time.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes CCDF Program certifies that the health, safety, and wellbeing of children served through CCDF will not be compromised by the extension of the current CCDF Plan Waiver.

Sincerely,

Reggie Wassana
Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes