

# **Professional Development**

### REIMBURSEMENT APPLICATION July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

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### What is a Professional Development Reimbursement (PDR)?

A Professional Development Reimbursement (PDR) provides early childhood (EC) and school-age (SA) professionals residing in Alaska with funding of up to \$1,500 per State fiscal year (July 1—June 30) for higher education and/or training.

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- 1. You must be operating, or be a paid employee of, a licensed (State of Alaska or Municipality of Anchorage) child care facility, Head Start, or pre-elementary school district program, or a State of Alaska Child Care Assistance Program approved child care facility.
- 2. You must have an active/current/updated SEED Registry membership. You may submit or renew an application online at <a href="www.seedalaska.org">www.seedalaska.org</a>. For more information, contact SEED at: <a href="mailto:info@seedalaska.org">info@seedalaska.org</a> or 907.265.3194 or 855.265.7333.
- 3. You must pay any unpaid **thread** training balance(s), if applicable to receive a PDR.
- 4. Training must be in early childhood and/or school-age education (birth through age 12), health and safety, facility administration, and/or topics directly related to working with young children. Higher education/training must be successfully completed with at least a "C" equivalent or "Pass". For conference reimbursement requests, applicants must submit a copy of the Certificate of Participation with stickers for each workshop session matching the day(s) registered as proof of attendance or reimbursement may be denied.
- 5. PDR funding is only guaranteed for those who submit completed applications, receipts and proof of completion within 60 days of completing the education/training. **Applications received after 60 days will not be accepted.**
- 6. Applicants may use a combination of funds up to and not exceeding \$1,500 per State fiscal year for approved training and/or higher education as follows:
  - Up to \$500 per State fiscal year may be used toward <u>approved training</u>, as outlined in #4, including classes, workshops, seminars, conferences, online training, and Conference registration fees will be reimbursed at the membership rate only. Approved trainings are reimbursed at 75% of actual training costs.
    - **Example 1:** Josh attends an EC conference at the member rate of \$600. He is reimbursed for \$450 (\$75%) of the actual cost. He also attends a training costing \$200. He is eligible for an additional \$50 and has reached the maximum \$500 per fiscal year. Josh can submit a PDR application for up to an additional \$1000 (100%) for higher education tuition.
  - CPR/FA training is capped at \$75 per person per fiscal year. Obtaining a GED is capped at \$150 per person.
  - Up to \$1500 per State fiscal year may be used toward higher education tuition, as outlined in #4, including: accredited college or university undergraduate or graduate courses, fees and books. Higher education courses are reimbursed at 100% of tuition costs.
    - **Example 2:** Jane spends \$1,200 on Early Childhood courses at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. She will receive a \$1,200 reimbursement (100% of higher tuition) and has \$300 PDR funds left for higher education (100%) or approved training (75%).
- 7. You must submit the following document(s) with your PDR application: **a**.) Proof of payment (receipt, credit card or bank statement) for higher education/training or **b.)** Proof of completion (i.e. copy of college/university transcript, credential, certificate of attendance).

PDR WILL <u>NOT</u> COVER OR REIMBURSE FOR THE FOLLOWING: 1) Face-to-face or webinar training offered by thread; 2) Cost of membership fees for professional organizations; 3) Parking fees

 For funds already covered by other financial aid such as Pell Grants, Veteran's Administration Benefits, Scholarships, training/education covered by Employer benefits, Child Care Grant (CCG) Program Reimbursements, etc., PDR funds will be reduced by the amount of other scholarships and/or financial aid.



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Professional Development Reimbursement (PDR) funding will be awarded on a <u>FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE</u> basis. <u>Payment will be made within 45 days after a completed application is received.</u> Contact SEED if you have not received payment within 60 days.

I certify that I operate, or am a paid employee of, a licensed (State of Alaska or Municipality of Anchorage) child care facility, Head Start or pre-elementary school district program, or a State of Alaska Child Care Assistance Program approved child care facility and meet the Eligibility Criteria. The information I am providing in this request is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of any information may result in repayment of funds and the inability to receive future reimbursement funds.

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Please initial the follow	ving statements before su	ubmitting your application	:			
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Please mail, fax or email your SIGNED, completed application via fax, mail or email (scanned copies) to:

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