

## **MAHUBE-OTWA HEAD START CHILD CARE PARTNERSHIPS**

### **What services are available for families who enroll in a partnership site?**

- Access to high quality care and early learning opportunities for their children.
- Full day/Full year programming.
- Comprehensive health, dental, education, nutrition, and family support services.
- Assistance in accessing funding sources to offset childcare expenses.
- Access to parent trainings and community resources.

### **What services are provided to childcare providers who partner with MAHUBE-OTWA?**

- An Enhanced Services Fee is paid monthly to providers for all enrolled EHS/HS enrolled children for the provision of comprehensive EHS/HS services.
- Reduced group sizes to allow for more individualized care.
- Assistance in acquiring a 4 Star Parent Aware rating.
- Access to professional development opportunities such as CDA, High Scope curriculum and assessment training. Financial reimbursement is available for some types of professional development opportunities.
- Support from a coordinator and/or mentor who makes regular visits to answer questions, brainstorm ideas, and provide feedback.
- Provision of needed supplies and equipment to implement the curriculum.
- Access to staff who are experts in the areas of nutrition, health, disabilities, mental health, family services, and education.
- A family service worker is assigned to provide support to all enrolled families in goal setting, community referrals, and connecting with financial resources to offset childcare expenses.
- Access to financial reimbursement for needed technology upgrades.

### **What requirements need to be fulfilled to receive the Enhanced Services Fee?**

- Maintain a Rule 2 childcare license and all required trainings and documentation.
- Participate in a USDA approved food program.
- Provide full day/full week care for a minimum of 47 weeks per year.
- Maintain ratios according to Head Start Performance Standards:
  - maximum group size for 1 adult: 6 children age 5 and under (no more than 2 under 24 months)
  - maximum group size for 2 adults: 10 children age 5 and under (no more than 4 under 24 months)
- Maintain and/or acquire a minimum of a CDA.
- Implement the High Scope curriculum and COR Advantage child assessment tool.
- Meet with families for 2 home visits and 2 conferences each year.
- Collaborate with MAHUBE-OTWA staff to provide 3 parent trainings each year.
- Work with families to complete a developmental and social emotional screening on enrolled children.
- Prepare and submit weekly lesson plans and monthly newsletters.
- Provide WIC approved formula, diapers, wipes, bottles and nipples for enrolled children.
- Complete required paperwork and data entry online, accurately, and on time.
- Incorporate tooth brushing and family style meals.
- Assist in recruiting Head Start eligible families.
- Comply with Head Start Performance Standards.