# **Organizational License Pilot**

Transition planning

# **Organizational License – The Story**

- Organizations wanting to license or certify multiple sites or add new sites during the pandemic
  - Create a streamlined process for one entity with multiple locations to:
    - Gain licensure
    - Streamline oversight
    - Address the multitude of varying community needs:
      - Ages
      - Diversity
      - Programming

### What We Have Been Doing



# Fourth Year of Funding for Transition

- Previous pilots ended without resources to support a transition
- We have one additional year of funding
- Approved to support the pilot participants for one more year with their existing pilot sites.
  - Waiting to analyze data to determine if we can expand somewhat in the planning year.\*
- Recommend moving these licenses back to local offices to be managed using the organizational approach
- This will give licensing staff direct experience and they can provide additional feedback throughout the phased approach informing any adjustments and how we can support staff with the change

#### What We Have Learned

- Bypassing documents for additional applications is a significant time saver for organizations
- Providers and licensors experienced the organization visit as an opportunity to build relationship, focus on administrative tasks, benefit from technical assistance.
- Providers overwhelmingly felt that this saved time at onsite visits, reduced anxiety for their staff if they had already met the licensor at the organization visit. (optional)
- Licensors felt this process supported their desire to spend time on technical assistance and build relationships, while making the onsite visits more efficient.
- Licensors found their work during the pilot rewarding.

#### Licensing Approach to Support Organizations



# Transition from Project to Program

What is the practice change?

- Streamlined application process for organizations with two or more sites
- All Child Care Center and School Age organizations with two or more facilities begin the practice of a scheduled organizational visit prior to on-site inspections.

## Transition Pilot Process to Program

- We are beginning the transition planning with the local offices and pilot participants
- We recommend a phased approach to the practice change, to be able to monitor and support the change for providers and DCYF staff
- Continue to support pilot participants with the organizational approach for fiscal year 2024-2025.
- Transition all pilot participants out of the pilot and into local offices for the fiscal Year 2025-2026
- Long-term plan will include any Center or School-Age organization with two or more facilities.

Questions?