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New Requirements for City of Madison Accreditation

DATE: October 17, 2008

TO: City of Madison Accredited Child Care Programs

FROM: Jolene Ibeling

RE: Director Training: November 19, 2008 What You Need to Know About Madison General Ordinance 39.05 Nondiscrimination Based on Disability in City Facilities and City-Assisted Programs and Activities.

Early care and education programs participating in the City of Madison Accreditation program are eligible to receive financial assistance such as grants and loans. Additionally, the City provides assistance to programs in the form of services of City personnel. As such, the City of Madison Attorney's office has advised the Child Care Section that programs participating in the accreditation process are required to comply with Madison General Ordinance 39.05. Furthermore, the Attorney's office has advised the Section to incorporate a written assurance of compliance between the City and centers participating in the accreditation program.

To learn more about the ordinance and assurance of compliance **please plan to attend the training** scheduled for November 19, 2008 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the MG&E Innovation Center located at 510 Charmany Drive, (*refreshments will be served*). City Child Care Section staff, along with Angela Bennett, Disability Rights and Services Coordinator from the Department of Civil Rights will provide you with the information, assistance and tools you need to ensure compliance with City Ordinance 39.05.

Additionally, this training will provide directors an opportunity to meet and network together. If you are unable to attend please notify your child care specialist. We look forward to your participation. Thank you.