ATTENTION CHILD CARE PROVIDERS: NEW CLEARANCE REQUIRED

WHAT CHANGES WILL OCCUR WITH THE NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER/NATIONAL SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY?

A federal requirement under the reauthorization of the Child Care Developmental Block Grant (CCDBG) means a new clearance--the National Crime Information Center/National Sex Offender Registry (referred to as the NSOR clearance).

WHO IS REQUIRED TO GET THE NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER/NATIONAL SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY CLEARANCE?

The following individuals must complete the National Sex Offender Registry (NSOR) verification certificate by July 1, 2020:
- Any individual 18 years or older residing in the child care facility;
- All individuals working for Regulated Child Care Providers;
- Any individual with an ownership interest (corporate or non-corporate) in a Regulated Child Care Provider and who participates in the organization and management of the operation.

HOW IS THE NSOR CLEARANCE DIFFERENT?

The clearance is in addition to the currently required clearances of Child Abuse History Clearance (CY113), Pennsylvania State Police Criminal Record Checks for Employment (SPA-164) or Volunteers (SPA-164A), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Fingerprinting. The NSOR will verify that a check of the National Sex Offenders Registry was conducted and the individual can work for a regulated child care provider or cannot work for a regulated child care provider.

There is no fee for the NSOR clearance.

WHEN WILL THE CHANGE OCCUR?

By late summer/early fall 2019, there will be a paper application process for the NSOR clearance and in late fall there will be an electronic process in place at keepkidssafe.pa.gov.

By July 1, 2020, all existing staff and household members must have a completed NSOR clearance.