



PLANNING DEPARTMENT  
Cumberland County

## Cumberland County Review Report

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### Recommendation: *Approval With Comments*

<i>Name of Amendment:</i>				
Daycares and Adult Living Centers				
<i>Municipality:</i>	<i>Date Received:</i>	<i>Date Reviewed:</i>	<i>Reviewed By:</i>	<i>Checked By:</i>
Upper Allen Township	6/26/2023	7/12/2023	SH, SW	KS
<i>Type of Amendment:</i>				
Zoning Text Amendment				

### Explanation of Amendment:

Upper Allen Township submitted a text amendment to the zoning ordinance that was adopted on December 20, 2017. The proposed text amendment will modify the requirements for child and adult daycare facilities. The proposed language distinguishes four different types of daycare, identifies zoning districts where the uses are permitted, and specifies standards for the uses.

The proposed text amendment is generally consistent with the Cumberland County Comprehensive Plan and the Upper Allen Township Comprehensive Plan.

### Administrative Comments and Recommendations:

1. n/a

### Technical Comments and Recommendations:

2. Page 1, section 245-2.1. The definition of a group child care home states that the use can be conducted in a state-certified single-family home or facility. In addition, the definition indicates that the care can be provided at the parent's work site, private or public profit/non-profit facilities, or in private nursery schools and kindergartens. This appears to contradict the requirements in proposed section 245-14.25.C.1 which indicate that a group child care home shall be conducted only by the residents within a detached single-family dwelling.
3. Page 2 and 3, sections 245-5.2 and 245-6.2. The accessory uses in these sections reference specific criteria in 245-14.25. It appears that these should reference the requirements for an accessory daycare in section 245-14.4.
4. Page 3, section 245.14.4. The proposed regulation includes standards for an "accessory daycare". However, the accessory uses listed on the use regulation tables include a family child care home and a group child care home. The township should consider consistent terminology for the accessory uses.
5. Page 3, section 245-14.4.B. This section indicates that accessory daycares are permitted as an accessory to a house of worship, a public or nonpublic school, or a place of employment. It appears that family

child care homes and group child care homes are also permitted as an accessory to single family dwellings.

The township should determine whether off-street parking, pickup and dropoff points, and outdoor play area requirements will apply to a single family dwelling with an accessory daycare.

6. Page 6, proposed section 245-17.2.A. Parking space requirements only address child care centers and older adult living centers. If applicable, the township should consider parking requirements for a group child care home.

*“Section 505 (b) and 609 (g) of the Municipalities Planning Code requires that amendments to municipal ordinances be filed with the county planning agency. If this amendment is approved, please forward a final copy to the county planning office so we may update our records.”*