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**STATEMENT FROM DIRECTOR THERESA C. ARRIOLA**  
*DPHSS Issues Public Notice Following Provider Communication on Federal Funding Uncertainty*

Hagåtña, Guam – The Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) has formally issued a letter to child care providers regarding recent federal funding uncertainties that may impact programs such as Medicaid, Medicare, and child care assistance.

As part of our commitment to transparency and timely communication, DPHSS is now sharing this information with the broader community to ensure families and stakeholders are informed of potential developments that may affect services across Guam.

The letter outlines current delays in federal funding, the potential implications for program operations, and the department's ongoing efforts to advocate for continued support. While these developments present challenges, DPHSS remains focused on maintaining services and keeping the public informed as updates become available.

“We recognize the importance of these programs to the health, stability, and daily lives of our community. We will continue to work closely with local and federal partners while providing clear and timely updates to the public.” – Theresa C. Arriola, DPHSS Director

For more information, please refer to the attached letter or contact the Bureau of Child Care Services Office.

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